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GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE,
1792-1899.

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Correspondence, 1792-1904

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE,
1792 - 1899

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U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1861 / ANNUAL REPORTS

Dolores da a Ramos Gold Rec'd in the Months of

July	$63,361.40	73.861
August	105.454.78	102, 858
Sejitember	90.840.49	60. 115
October	105. 205.60	98. 747
November	133. 933.72	125, 887
	$498,795.99	464.468

Statement of deposits of Gold from Pikes Peak, at the U. S. Assay office New York from 1 Janʸ to 29 Nov. 1861.

January	$94,525.
February	69,471.
March	75,293.
April	109,963.
May	82,733.
June	82,565.
July	73,861.
August	102,858.
September	60,115.
October	98,747.
November	128,887.
Total	$979,018.00

N.Y. Dec. 11, 1861.

Kanzas (Pike's Peak) Gold

deposited at

U. S. Assay Office

Jan. 1 to Nov. 29, 1861.

Dec. 11, 1861.

Mint memorandum

enclosed.

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia Dec. 2. 1861.

Jno. A. Dunning Esq.
Sub Treasury Office N.Y.

Sir.

Enclosed please find a few printed slips containing the rate of charges on deposits at the Mint and at your institution, and possibly [illegible] with the absence of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Very Respectfully,

J. Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint

To
Supt. Assay Office
N.Y.

Treasury Statement
of Kansas Gold
deposited since
30th Jan last

Dec 9. 1861

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Dec 7. 1861

Sir.

I will thank you to furnish me at your earliest convenience with a statement of your Assets for the quarter ending Sept 30. 1861: also the Conduct of Bullion received from [illegible] during the last quarter, [illegible] to the Dr. Account

And oblige Yours Respt.
James Pollock
Treasurer of the Mint

Geo. W. Summers Esq
Asst. Supt Weights & Measures
Treasury

To.

Act Supt. Army Posts

N.Y.

Receipt of

Swedish Dollar

Requested

Dec 11. 1861.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Dec 11. 1861

Sir

I have to request that you will
cause with as much dispatch as
you can a Scotch Bonnet Spanish dollar
of 1858 or this, and a certain
number of which you have and forward
them to me after receipt of this
order. It is not necessary that
the pieces but simply the weight. If
none of the Bankers have it, probably
the Merchants Exch has a piece.
You can charge the cost, for any thing
that will obtain 1858 and for the
purpose. The information
is required to be furnished to
the Treasury Department.

Very Respectfully,
Yr. obt. Pollock
Director of the Mint

Lieut. E. Dunning U.S.
Navy Yard
Act. Supt. Washington
Navy Yard D.C.

U. S. Assay Office

New York Dec. 12, 1861

Sir,

In compliance with your request of yesterday I have made all possible efforts to procure a Swedish dollar. All that I could find were dated prior to 1858. The Swedish Consul has given me a note to Mr. A. F. Lindberg, as the person most likely to have the recent coins. He is unfortunately out of the city to-day, but will be here to-morrow, when I hope to be able to give you the information needed.

Very respectfully,
your obt. Servt.,
Geo. F. Deming,
Supt.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

From
Geo F. Dunning Esq
Supt. Assay Office
N.Y.

Inability to procure
Sealed dollar
Dec 18. 1861

Presentation
Unit awarded
Premium Coin
Unite Specimen

U. S. Assay Office

New York Dec. 14, 1861

Sir,

I am sorry to report that my efforts to obtain a Swedish dollar of 1858 or later have thus far proved ineffectual. After applying at various places suggested by Mr. Habicht the Swedish Consul, I have been trying to-day to procure one from the Swedish War-vessel now in Port. If I succeed in this you shall hear from me on Monday.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.,
Geo. F. Dunning
Supt.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

U. S. Assay Office

New York Dec. 17, 1861

Sir,

I have been unsuccessful in my search for a Swedish dollar. Mr. Habicht, the Swedish Consul, applied at my request to the officers of a Swedish frigate now in port, but not a piece could be found of later date than 1857, and the Captain was of opinion that no dollars had been coined in Sweden since that year.

A dollar of 1857, procured by me Mr. Mason sometime since, weighs 521 3/4 gr. or Oz. 1.087.

Very respectfully,

Geo. T. Dunning

Supt.

Wm. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

THIRD.

Office of the ASSISTANT TREASURER of the UNITED STATES,

No. 2539

New York, June 27" 1861

I Certify that Treasurer of the U S Assay Office

has this day DEPOSITED to the CREDIT of the TREASURER of the United States,

Thirteen Thousand and ninety 25/100

Dollars, on account of Appro for Incidental & Contingent expenses, being deductions from Bullion deposits to March 30" 1861 - available by law for Ordinary Exps,

for which I have signed triplicate receipts.

$13,090.25/100

Wm J Cisco

Assistant Treasurer.

THIRD

Office of the ASSISTANT TREASURER of the UNITED STATES,

No. 1056

New York, March 12 1861.

I Certify that the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, N. Y.

has this day DEPOSITED to the CREDIT of the TREASURER of the United States,

Twenty thousand Nine Hundred & Sixty two 69/100

Dollars, on account of Appy for Incidental & Contingent Expences, being deductions from Duties Deposits to December 31st 1860 available by Law for Ordinary Expences,

for which I have signed triplicate receipts.

$ 20,962 69

Thos. J. Olsen

Assistant Treasurer.

THIRD.

Office of the ASSISTANT TREASURER of the UNITED STATES,

No. 7723

New York, Septem 30 1861.

I Certify that Treasurer of U.S. Assay Office.

has this day DEPOSITED to the CREDIT of the TREASURER of the United States,

Sixteen Thousand, seven hundred & Ninety nine 11/100

Dollars, on account of Appro. for Incidental & Contingent Expenses

being deductions from Bullion deposits to June 29. 1861.

Available by Law for Ordinary Expenditures.

for which I have signed triplicate receipts.

$ 16,799.11

Assistant Treasurer.

N J Asst Adjt Gen

Deductions

Sept 1861

THIRD.

Office of the ASSISTANT TREASURER of the UNITED STATES,

No. 9068

New York, Dec 24 1861.

I Certify that the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office,

has this day DEPOSITED to the CREDIT of the TREASURER of the United States,

Nineteen thousand Two Hundred & Ninety one — 21/100

Dollars, on account of Appn. for Incidental & Contingent expenses

being deductions from Bullion deposits to Sept 30 1861,

Available by Law for Ordinary Expenditures —

for which I have signed triplicate receipts.

$19291 21/100

Wm J Cisco

Assistant Treasurer.

Deduction.

N Y Ass'n Office

Dec 1861

Incidental Expenses Mont.

3d Quarter 1860		$ 8,006.18
4th do	"	6,637.16
1st do	1861	29,605.01
2nd do	"	19,549.82
		$ 63,798.17
Less freight on goods		30,459.62 Nett $ 33,338.55
3d Quarter 1861		$ 24,959.53
4th Quarter 1861		$ 14,119.63
		$ 39,079.16
Less freight on goods		19,885.36 $ 19,193.80

Freight on goods 3rd Qu'r 60 $ 42.04 + 71.74 ——— 113.78

4th " " $ 204.04 + 1,430.08 + ——— 1,634.12

1st " 61 $ 5,411.69 + 7,978.56 + 5,740.81 ——— 19,131.06

2nd " 61 $ 5,876.72 + 3,703.94 ——— 9,580.66

30,459.62

3rd " 61 $ 15,015.21 ——— 15,015.21

4th " 61 $ 4,870.15 ——— 4,870.15

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Quarterly Statement of Expenditures of the United States Assay Office at New York.

	Salaries.	Wages.	Inc. & Cont. Expenses.	Total.
3d quarter 1860	6,225 00	8,615 70	3,215 73	18,056 43
4th do. "	6,225 00	9,717 05	16,211 33	32,153 38
1st do. 1861	6,225 00	9,734 30	18,064 56	34,023 86
2d do. "	5,524 99	8,248 95	20,716 18	34,490 12
Total for Fiscal Year.	24,199 99	36,316 00	58,207 80	118,723 79
3d quarter 1861	5,175 00	9,486 65	18,481 81	33,143 46
4th do. "	5,175 00	7,714 45	19,833 85	32,723 30
	10,350 00	17,201 10	38,315 66	65,866 76

United States Assay Office,
New York, March 3d 1862

Expenditures

Mint & Assay

Office N.Y.

1860–61

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Dec 14. 1861.

Sir.

I duly received your letter of the 11th. inst. with the enclosures as stated.

In reply to your enquiry I have to state that ~~I have received no other official~~ notification of your appointment as Superintendent other than that contained in the Postscript to your letter of the 11th. inst. has been received by me. ~~There is such an official notification~~ As the ~~You are appointed~~ Assay Master of the Assay Office is vested by law in the Sec of the Treasury with the approval of the Pres. not from the Dept. No notification to me is necessary required.

I congratulate you on
your appointment, and
am glad that the
Government has secured
the services of one so
faithful & competent
as yourself

Yr Ob
Geo Y Cummings
Lieut Army Sig Corps

U. S. Assay Office

New York Dec. 11, 1861

Sir,

I send herewith the statement asked for in your letter of the 7th inst., viz:

"Statement of Business at the U. S. Assay Office, New York, for the 3d quarter 1861."

"Statement of deposits of Gold from Pike's Peak at the U. S. Assay Office, N.Y., from Jan. 1 to Nov. 29, 1861".

Very respectfully,
your obt. servt.,
Geo. F. Durning,
Supt.

Hon. James Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

P.S. - On the 5th inst. I received

from the Secretary of the Treasury my official appointment as Supt., and took the oath of office on the 4th. Have you been officially notified of my appointment?

G. F. D.

Fm W & Co

Assay Office

New York

Acct. Statement

asked for

Mr Dunning's appointment

as Superintendent

Dec 13. 1861

U. S. Assay Office

New York

Statement of Business

from July 1. 1860 to June 30. 1861.

Statement of Business at the U. S. As

Description	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
Gold Deposits					
U.S. Bullion. Virginia	688	837	—	1414	—
North Carolina	1451	—	—	—	—
South Carolina	—	—	670	—	—
Georgia	1060	707	1060	1376	2697
Alabama	—	—	—	—	—
Kansas	51076	83272	143164	257666	233542
Arizona	—	521	—	—	—
Utah (Washoe)	—	—	—	—	—
New Mexico	—	—	—	—	—
Oregon	—	—	—	—	112
California	88475 16	116407 62	96122 81	895642 27	3,171322 72
Jewelers Bars	12760	10137	13262	11588	36196
U.S. Coins (Old.) 3	558	818	112	205	—
Foreign Coins 1	8742	8240	13150	6454	11272
Do. Bullion 2	17670	9616	13931	16759	12053
Parted from Silver	436	873	2120	20	3040
Total Gold.	182,916 16	231,428 62	283,591 81	1,191,046 27	3,470,234 72
Silver Deposits.					
U.S. Bullion. North Carolina	827	2547	577	—	—
Arizona	3665	—	—	—	6040
Lake Superior Mines	963	990	1518	812	184
Utah (Washoe)	—	185	4738	—	3347
California	—	—	—	—	17998
Mint Bars redeposited	—	—	—	—	—
Parted from Gold.	2350	2684	3694	12828	29345
Jewelers Bars, Plate &c.	2467	1731	914	2306	1391
U.S. Coins (Old)	1312	927	—	1026	—
Foreign Coins (Various)	11432 15	12186 73	8228 42	6981 96	5102 82
Do. Do. (Span. & Mex.)	—	824	—	1842	710
Do. Bullion	2810	14087	42845	35204	8853
Total Silver.	25,826 15	36,161 73	62,571 42	60,999 96	72,970 82

Assay Office New York — July 1st 1860 to June 30th 1861.

Dec.	Jany	Feby	March	April	May	June	Total.
818	—	—	112	—	—	—	3869
—	—	1302	—	—	—	—	2753
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	670
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6900
—	—	—	558	260	—	—	818
165896	94525	69471	75293	109963	82733	82565	1449166
3013	—	—	11179	2158	—	—	16871
—	3478	16852	6603	28945	17856	—	73734
—	—	6175	—	539	—	—	6714
298	—	—	—	—	—	2771	3181
2,472,460 62	2,374,655 57	2,497,376 75	1,638,439 40	2,508,302 86	1,684,880 01	1,683,650 35	19,227,658 14
46965	28924	14434	14861	16554	31174	25984	262839
—	372	—	186	—	150	112	2573
3,552265	4,529007	2,157643	2,728211	4,226162	4357329	5987042	27,582517
909559	966326	106857	577340	86806	109796	897413	3,664126
6050	14247	5117	5882	7078	1831	7072	53766
7,157,324 62	8,011,534 57	4,872,227 75	4,998,664 40	6,986,767 86	6,285,749 01	8,686,609 35	52,358,095 14
692	1590	—	—	—	—	—	6233
962	—	—	1593	—	—	—	12260
—	—	—	—	—	—	176	4643
10901	19349	11605	9477	10613	2882	3402	76499
15476	18546	—	945	3701	—	—	56666
33642	—	10804	—	—	29373	1816	75635
23211	24524	28460	20091	37433	27758	19794	232172
9443	8622	4053	1375	1580	4157	3800	41753
773	11823	4405	12734	21104	10479	116275	180858
52 357 56	55 304 12	64 457 49	92 932 69	168 255 52	190 341 33	166 633 39	834 241 18
1460	474	—	1162	—	1562	2440	10474
7596	40954	31232	66695	28942	16292	40491	336001
156,570 56	181,186 12	155,016 49	207,004 69	271,548 52	282,838 33	354,827 39	1,867,405 18

Paid in Bars	4,120,822 10
Paid in Coins	50,104,678 22
Total Gold & Silver	54,225,500 32
Gold Bars Stamped 4816 Bars	19,948,728 88
Silver Do. " 1089 "	187,078 63
Total Fine Bars.	20,135,807 51

U. S. Assay Office,
New York, Augt. 21. 1861.

Sir:

In the absence of the Superintendent, I have had the following statement prepared in reply to the inquiries contained in yours of the 17th. inst.

The amount of payments in Bars was overstated, as you will observe by comparing the amount now given with that named in the "Summary".

Very respectfully,
Yours
Geo. W. Edelman,
Treas. Chief-Clerk.

To / Hon. James Pollock,
Director U. S. Mint,
Philad.ª

Amt. of fine Gold Bars transmitted to the Mint			$18,821,161.69
" " other " " " " " "		29,055,194.68	$47,876,356.37
" " Silver Bars " " " "			1,438,129.97
" " fine Gold Bars p.c. to depositors		1,259,921.16	
" " Silver do. " do.		169,024.27	1,428,945.43
Paid in Silver Bars			169,024.27
" " Gold do.			1259,921.16
Total paid in Bars			1428,945.43
Paid in Coins			52.796,554.89
Gold & Silver Total.			$54,225,500.32
4816 Gold Bars Manufactured at Assay office			19,948,728.88
1089 Silver " " " do.			187,078.63
			$20,135,807.51

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Statement of Business at the U.S. Assay Office, New York, for the 3d quarter of 1861.

Description.	July.	August.	September.
Gold Deposits.			
U.S. Bullion. Vermont	— — —	1135.	— —
North Carolina	— —	2232	— —
Kansas	73,861	102,858	60,115
Utah (Washoe)	— —	— —	4,966
New Mexico	— —	1,283	— —
California	1,392,805 09	2,791,978 19	1,883,877 72
Jewelers Bars	149,544	9,319	9,188
U.S. Coins (Old)	502	744	— —
Foreign Coins	5,784,712	1,977,571	1,050,602
do. Bullion	744,763	8,668	1,395
Parted from Silver	54,885	58,899	26,839
Total Gold,	8,201,072 09	4,954,687 19	3,036,982 72
Silver Deposits.			
U.S. Bullion. Arizona	— —	105	— —
Lake Superior Mines	1,012	1,623	1,502
Utah (Washoe)	23,066	24,444	9,639
Parted from Gold	13,888	23,605	16,833
Jewelers Bars, Plate &c.	5,962	8,796	8,358
U.S. Coins (Old)	15,104	11,730	5,910
Foreign Coins (Various)	395,540 26	184,427 06	57,099 85
do. do. (Span. & Mexican)	2,089	1,986	1,813
do. Bullion.	7,261	75,100	72,603
Total Silver,	463,922 26	331,816 06	173,757 85
Paid in Bars	362,607 06	— — —	60,501 03
" " Coins	8,302,387 29	5,286,503 25	3,150,239 54
Gold & Silver Total.	8,664,994 35	5,286,503 25	3,210,740 57
Gold Bars Stamped No. 2854 – 4157.	2,925,892 22	1,881,409 65	1,903,159 79
Silver Bars do. " 315 – 858,	39,554 81	162 31	84,875 72
Fine Bars Total,	2,965,447 03	1,881,571 96	1,988,035 51

Total Gold Deposits	16,192,742	
" Silver do.	969,496 17	
	17,162,238 17	
Total paid in Bars	423,108 09	
" " " Coins	16,739,130 08	
	17,162,238 17	
Total Gold Bars Stamped	6,710,461 66	
" Silver do. do.	124,592 84	
	6,835,054 50	

U. S. Assay Office,
New York, Dec. 11, 1861.

Statement of Business

U. S. Assay Office

3d quarter 1861.

Dec. 11, 1861.

Summary Statement of Business at the U.S. Assay Office, New York, from January 1st to December 31st 1861.

Description.	Value.	Value.
Gold Deposits:		
U.S. Bullion. North Carolina,	3,534 00	
Alabama,	818 00	
Kanzas,	1,113,525 00	
Arizona,	13,728 00	
Utah, (Washed)	114,580 00	
New Mexico,	8,257 00	
Oregon,	2,771 00	
California,	24,069,797 45	
Virginia,	428 00	
Vermont,	329 00	
Jewelers Bars,	316,034 00	25,646,765 45
U.S. Coins, (Old)		4,000 00
Foreign Coins,		33,591,247 00
do. Bullion, (various)		3,565,174 00
do. do. (Halifax Court)		558 00
Parted from Silver),		252,443 00
Total Gold Deposits.		63,060,187 45
Silver Deposits:		
U.S. Bullion. North Carolina,	1,590 00	
Arizona,	1,698 00	
Lake Superior Mines,	4,851 00	
Utah, (Washed)	140,335 00	
California,	30,000 00	
Mint Bars, redeposited,	41,993 00	
Parted from Gold,	269,560 00	490,027 00
Jewelers Bars, Plate &c.		61,464 00
U.S. Coins, (Old)		210,424 00
Foreign Coins, (various)	1,607,227 45	
do. do. (Mex. & Span.)	14,965 00	1,622,192 45
do. Bullion,		396,005 00
Total Silver Deposits.		2,780,112 45
Total Deposits: Gold & Silver.		65,840,299 90
Fine Gold Bars Stamped #16562.	26,848,698.53	
" Silver do. do #1. to 1625.	363,014.48	27,211,713 01

United States Assay Office,
New York, Feb. 19, 1862.

Summary Statement

Bounties of 1861

U. S. Army Office,

New York,

Feb. 19, 1862.

Bills

Annual

Assay

Report

1861.

For Army Assay

Dr Lindeman

for U.S. Mint

Fr L. Steiner

3 Bbls Fine R Whisky
(a. nos 1 & 13) @ $3.00

Philada Feb 15. 61

Rec Payment

L. Steiner

Correct
H.R.L.

X 23

Philadelphia Feby 14th 18 61

To Mint of the United States

Bought of **A. LAMBERT,**

207 ~~North 4th Street~~ 422 Race above Race.

1	Box	Sparkling Morell	13 00
1	4	do Stock	13 00

Correct
Ja$ C Booth
M & R

Rec'd Paymt

$ 26 00

Ang. Lambert

Philadelphia Feby 11. 18



Mint of the United States.

Bought of **WILLIAM WINTERER,**

IMPORTER & DEALER IN WINES & BRANDIES,

475 NORTH THIRD STREET, above NOBLE.

9 Bottles Wine	50¢	4 50
Bottles		50
		5.00

Recd payt

Wm Winterer

for Annual Assay Dinner
R. Patterson
Treas. Mint

No. 49

Wm L Winters

Lowe

#57

Mar 12/61

Philada Feburary 13th 1841

The United States Mint Dr

To Frederick Woodson

For	2	Boned Turkey	@ 650	1300
"	2	Hams	" 250	500
"		Chicken Salad		1500
"	2	Thousand Oysters Stewed	@ 150	30,00
"	4	lbs Butter	@ 32	128
"	5	" Crackers		40
"	5	" Cheese	@ 14	70
"	1	Peck Potatoes		28
"	1	qt Salt		3
"	1	Brick for Cleaning Knives		6
"		Hire of 2 Pitches 2 days		50
"	8	Loaves Bread		32
"	6	Doz Rolls	@ 37½	225
"		Services of 2 Waiters 2 days		800
				$76,82

Recd Payment in Full

Frederick Woodson

7/1.82

Dec 28, 1860

To The Director of the Mint
U. S.

I take the liberty to ask you to furnish me with an estimate of the absolute cost of cointing gold eighths of a dollar, and also of the denomination of double Eagles — Eagles & half & quarter eagles of equal fineness —

I would also like to have the same information in regard to recoining foreign coin — Please answer soon.

Very respectfully
R. M. Hunter

Mint of the United States,
MELTING & REFINING DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, 16. Feb. 1861

Dear Sir

I have tested the Gas-Regulator which you requested me to do about a month since, employing for this purpose the Large Meter in the S.E. Cellar of the Mint. The following are the results of trial with & without the Regulator.

Date of Observation	With or Without R.	Reading of meter	Consumption in Cub. ft.	Time in days	Rate per day
1861 25. Jan.	Without Reg.	378,400			
17. "		368,400	10,000	8	1250 C. ft.
2. Feb.	With Reg.	386,875			
25. Jan.		378,400	8,475	8	1059 "
9. Feb.	With Reg.	394,275			
2. Feb.		386,875	7,400	7	1057 "
16. "	Without Reg.	401,700			
9 "		394,275	7,425	7	1060 "

In the first 8 days the full head of gas was on, & there was more light than necessary. While the Regulator was attached during the next 15 days, there was a little complaint of want of sufficient light, but I think

that there was not sufficient ground for complaint.
It is however certain that the light was less than in the first 8 days. In order to test the subject more fully the stop-cock at the meter was turned during part of the last trial without Regulator from 9th to 16th Feb. so as to give as near as might be judged the same amount of flame as when the Regr was attached. The result was that the consumption averaged the same per day as with the Regr attached.

I conclude therefore that either there is no material saving by the Regulator, for a sufficient amount of light, or the irregular amounts of gas consumed in the mint do not allow us to draw any conclusion as to the utility of the Regulator.

Very truly yours
Ja C Booth
M.T.R.

J.R. Snowden. Esq.
Director U.S. Mint

Report of Roy Booth

on

Gas Regulator

Feb 16. 1861

Hon Jos Pollock.
Director US Mint.
Dear Sir.

We are the only refiners of Nickel in this country. The ores from which we manufacture the Nickel are produced at the mines in Lancaster County this State.

We have incurred considerable expense in preparing the article for the use of the Mint, and have supplied them with most of their supply during the last three years.

We would respectively solicit that we continue to supply what may be needed, and would be much obliged if you would receive a small

lot of a very good article
made are found.

Respy Yours

Thos McDowell Jun
Edwd McBride

Friday
May 20/61

McDowell & Bush
Nickel

Peter Wright & Sons
Dealers in Nickel.
Mr Peters.

May 20. 1861

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, 1. June 1861.

Dear Sir

I have examined the two communications, in relation to Nickel, which you handed to me, & herewith respectfully offer my views in relation to the same.

Messrs. Wright & Sons correctly state that the nickel they offer, was more particularly prepared for the Mint, but the same kind is a commercial article, & can as well be sold to German Silver manufacturers, either in this Country or Europe, as it has been heretofore, as well as to the Mint. It was purchased of the manufacturer, Mr. McDowell, when in trouble, I have understood, at a low rate, & was not purchased for sale to the Mint. This history of the lot of Nickel I obtained jointly from Messrs Pike & McDowell. We are therefore I think under no obligations to purchase it.

Messrs. McDowell & Buck are the only Refiners of nickel, in the U. States, & therefore deserve all the encouragement that the Mint can legitimately give, under

equal conditions of price & quality, as compared with other Nickel. For, apart from the idea, that our coin should be, as far as posible, ~~our~~ made of our own Metals, we ought to encourage the American establishment in our own city, in order to secure a certain & constant supply.

Our present stock of Nickel is about 4000 lbs, sufficient to make upwards of 30,000 lbs. of cents, which, according to the average demands of the last three months, will last five months. I would however advocate our always retaining a few thousand pounds of nickel on hand, in order to be prepared against the contingency of not getting it at the moment it might be demanded.

In view of the above facts & opinions I would advise the purchase of some nickel from Mess. McDowell & Buck, if we have funds, on cent account, to pay for it. Or, if we have not funds, perhaps Mess. McD. & B. would be willing to take the Cent in payment for nickel, to a limited extent.

Permit me, while on the subject, to state that the average demand for cents

during the last 3 months has been about 6000 lbs. pr. month, which is nearly equal to $6000. (98 cents = one pound av. d. poise). The demand for the old cent up to 1857, when its issue ceased, was about $40,000 to $50,000 worth per annum. Now the present issue of cents is ~~for~~ in exchange for the old cent, & this issue, we may estimate, will continue at the rate above named ~~for~~ ($6000 pr. month) for some time to come. We may further suppose that not less of the new cent will be required to supply annual waste, & our increase in population, than was required of the old Copper cent, which averaged some $4000 pr. month.

There is therefore, in my opinion, no likelihood that the present rate of manufacture will be materially diminished at the Mint for many years to come.

In relation to a purchase of nickel, I would respectfully suggest a reference to Mr. Patterson, who keeps the Cent accounts, & can give fuller information on the subject of our ability to purchase, & the amount of capital invested in the business, in the shape of copper, nickel & cent-metal.

Very respectfully yours
J. H. Booth
M. A. R.

Hon. James Pollock
Director U. S. Mint

June 1861

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, Aug.t 13 1861.

To the Director of the Mint.

The following is my report of assays of the cent ingots, during the months of June and July.

			Percentage of Nickel.
June	18.	21 Melts	11.6
	20.	23 "	11.6
	22.	19 "	11.9
	25.	12 "	12.0
	27.	24 "	12.0
July	2.	45 "	11.9
	16.	19 "	12.0
	18.	16 "	11.9
	20.	15 "	12.1
	22.	8 "	12.2
	26.	23 "	12.4
	30.	31 "	12.2

The melts were numbered 919 to 1174.

J. R. Eckfeldt Assayer.

(over.)

Hon. James Pollock

Director &c &c

Sir

Agreeably to regulations, I have to report a proper attention to duty, on the part of persons employed in this department of the Mint, during the months of June & July.

Very respectfully

your obt Servant

J. R. Eckfeldt

Assayer.

Augt 13. 1861.

Cent Mints Assays
June & July
1861

Assayer's Office
Nov. 11. 1861

To the Director of the Mint.

The following is my report of assays of cent ingots, during the months of August, September, and October last.

			Percent. of Nickel				Percent. of Nickel
Augt. 1	21	melts	12.0	Sept 3	10	melts	12.3
3	10	"	12.1	12	26	"	12.4
6	14	"	11.9	Octr 5	14	"	12.5
8	17	"	12.1	7	10	"	12.4
10	17	"	12.3	12	22	"	12.1
16	8	"	12.4	15	14	"	12.2
20	19	"	12.3	17	17	"	12.0
22	18	"	12.2	19	18	"	11.8
24	18	"	12.2	24	25	"	11.9
27	13	"	12.3	26	12	"	11.7
29	12	"	12.5	29	15	"	12.1
31	11	"	12.4	31	14	"	12.0

Nos 1175 to 1547.

J. R. Eckfeldt
Assayer.

Assay

Report of Assayer

August, Sept. Oct. 1863

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia June 10 1861

To the Director of the Mint.

The following is my Report of Assays of cent ingots, during the month of May.

				Percent. of Nickel
May	7	12 melts,	No. 687 to 698	11. 9
	9	32 "	699 " 730	11. 8
	11	23 "	731 " 753	12. 4
	14	14 "	754 " 767	12. 4
	16	27 "	768 " 794	12. 6
	18	20 "	795 " 814	12. 5
	21	16 "	815 " 830	12. 4
	23	20 "	831 " 850	12. 2
	25	24 "	851 " 874	11. 8
	28	20 "	875 " 894	12. 3
	30	24 "	895 " 918	12. 4

J. R. Eckfeldt

Assayer

(over)

Assayer's Office,
June 10. 1861

Hon. James Pollock
Director &c. &c.

Sir

Agreeably to regulations, I have to report a proper attention to duty, on the part of persons employed in this department of the Mint, during the month of May.

Very respectfully
your obt servant

J. R. Eckfeldt
Assayer

Report
of
Assays
for
Mint Philada
1861.

Mint of the United States,
Assay Office
Philadelphia May 24 1861

To the Director of the Mint.

The following is my report of assays of cent ingots, during the month of April.

Date.					Per cent. of Nickel.
April 5	27	Melts,	Nos.	527 to 553	11. 8
" 6	15	"	"	554 - 568	11. 5
" 12	24	"	"	569 - 592	11. 6
" 14	32	"	"	593 - 624	12. 0
" 16	23	"	"	625 - 647	12. 3
" 18	16	"	"	648 - 663	12. 5
" 26	23	"	"	664 - 686	12. 3

J. R. Eckfeldt
Assayer.

(over.)

Assayer's Office
May 24. 1861

Hon. James Pollock
Director &c &c
Sir

Agreeably to rule, I have to report a proper attention to duty, on the part of persons employed in this department of the Mint, during the month of April.

Very respectfully
your obt servant
J. R. Eckfeldt
Assayer.

P. S. These reports have been delayed beyond the proper time for rendering them.

Assayers Report

for

April 1861.

Cent Ingots

Monthly Reports

Assayer

1861

Hon L. R.

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Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, April 15 1861

To the Director of the Mint.

The following is my report of assays of cent ingots, during the months of January, February and March, of the present year.

1861			Percent. of Nickel	1861			Percent. of Nickel
Jany 3	12	melts, Mint	11.7	Feby 21	24	melts, Mint	12.3
8	31	" "	12.2	23	17	" "	12.2
10	24	" "	12.2	Mar. 7	20	" "	12.2
12	24	" "	12.5	8	18	" "	12.2
24	30	" "	11.9	12	18	" "	12.0
26	20	" "	11.9	14	24	" "	12.0
31	44	" "	11.7	16	28	" "	11.9
Feby 2	18	" "	11.8	19	19	" "	12.0
6	28	" "	12.1	21	23	" "	12.1
14	24	" "	12.3	23	28	" "	12.0
16	21	" "	12.1	26	11	" "	12.0
19	20	" "	12.1				

Melts numbered 1 to 526.

J. R. Eckfeldt
Assayer

April 15. 1861.

Hon. J. R. Snowden
Director &c &c
Sir

Agreeably to instructions in the case, I have to report attendance to duty, on the part of persons employed in this department of the Mint, during the first three months of the present year.

Very respectfully
J. R. Eckfeldt
Assayer

P. S. I ought perhaps to except the absence of Theodore Loreaine for about a week, in January, which I considered unnecessary, and of which I informed you verbally at the time.

Report

of the Assayer

for 1st Quarter 1861

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1861 / ANNUAL REPORTS

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1861 / ANNUAL REPORTS

January 22. 1.

Sir,

I transmit with my approval a requisition from the Superintendent of the Assay Office. New York. for Six Thousand Dollars, payable out of the balance to the credit of the appropriation for the support of that institution.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful Servant,
Samn Ro. Knox
Director of the Mint.

Hon. John A. Dix,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

United States Assay Office,

New York, Jan. 21 1861.

Dear Sir,

I wrote to Mr. Butterworth at Washington, on the 18th inst., enclosing a requisition on the Sec. of Treasy. for $25,000, & a letter addressed to you, - requesting him to sign them & then send them to you to take the usual course. He returns them to day, saying that the Department wish the requisition reduced to an amt. sufficient for our immediate necessities. I have accordingly reduced it to $6,000, & have made a new requisition for that amount.

To avoid the delay of sending this requisition to Mr. Butterworth

to be signed & returned to you &c.,
I now forward it to you without
signature with the request
that you will send it,
with your own letter to the
Department, to Mr. Butterworth
who will sign the requisition
& present both letters to
the Secretary. — Please
address Mr. Butterworth
under cover to Hon. Wm. M.
Gwin, U.S. Senate, Wash-
ington.

Very respectfully,
Yours &c.
Geo. F. Downing.

Hon. J. R. Snowden,
Director U.S. Mint.

United States Assay Office

New York Jan. 18, 1861

Sir,

I enclose a letter addressed to the Sec'y of Treasury making a requisition for $6,000 for the support of this Office, which I will thank you to forward.

I enclose also a triplicate receipt of the Asst. Treas. U.S. at New York, for $3,173.88 (Deducting) transferred to him by the Treasurer of this Office on the 31st. ult.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. Servt.,

S. D. Buttenuth

Supt

Hon. J. R. Snowden
Director of the Mint,
Phila.

From Lo

Supt U.S. Assay Office

New York

Requisition for

$6000 ++ endorsed

Jan 22, 1861.

January 1861

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Sept. 28, 1861.

Sir.

I present herewith, a Synopsis, of the standard weight, fineness, and consequent value in our money terms, and in our gold coins, of Foreign Specie-moneys of account; which has been prepared at the Mint, at your request, for the adjustment of the accounts of Foreign Ministers and Consuls of the United States. It was found necessary to put it in this form, rather than a tabular one, because of the numerous explanations required.

In explanation of the enclosed statement, it is proper to remark, that the object for which tables of value have heretofore been constructed at the Mint, appears, on mature reflection, to be entirely different from that contemplated by You. The aim has always been to answer the enquiry, what will this or that foreign coin produce, on the average, at the Mint? This takes for granted, what is the fact, that we receive them, not at the alleged standards, but at our own assay, and at the actual weight, which perhaps shows a material loss by wear. It is upon the principle that the Table annexed to the Directors Rep

Report, are constructed; and upon this basis the former statement for you was made, without a due consideration of the peculiarities of the case.

When the object is to exhibit a comparison between our normal coin, and that of another country, for the guidance of Diplomatic Officers, and for settlement of exchanges, shipping charges and international accounts, it is only fair that the full legal weight and fineness of the foreign monies should be taken as the basis, especially when there is an obvious aim in practice to conform to the law. We assume our dollar to be of full fineness and weight; we must assume the same of the pound sterling, franc or florin.

A table upon this basis is now constructed for the first time. The Mint has no exclusive facilities for such a task; it could be done by any one conversant with the subject, and having access to the Diplomatic correspondence of the Comptroller; but having been favored with copies of that valuable mass of papers, we take pleasure in making some return for the benefit.

The difficulty of giving a <u>gold</u> valuation of <u>silver</u> coin, must be apparent to any one

considers that our laws provide for a sliding scale in the Mint price of Silver, to suit the demand and supply of the market. We have paid 122½ cents per troy ounce of nine-tenths fine; we now pay 121; and some years ago, the actual relative value was only a fraction over 116. Our price is the same whether we pay in Gold or Silver; although, by paying in Silver coined at the fixed rate of 125 cents to the ounce nine-tenths fine, as we do at present, a profit accrues to the Government. But 121 cents, whether paid in Gold or Silver, is now, as near as may be, the commercial value of standard Silver bullion, and it is distinctly the lawful price.

Drafts are payable in whichever metal predominates in the currency, and not in either indiscriminately; or rather, the payer takes his choice. In almost every country, one kind of coinage, Gold or Silver, is subsidiary to the other, or else stands at a premium, and so is not currency, and does not afford a standard of international valuation. Hence we have in most cases given but a single unit of value for each country, and that of the metal "of which the usual currency of the country consists". In doubtful cases, it has been found

necessary to make a double estimate.

It is to be observed that the legal deduction of one half of one per cent:- the coinage charge upon gold.- has not been made.

I suggest the propriety of having this Synopsis verified by a clerk of the Bureau, from the original papers, before it is put in print. It is also suggested that the acts of Feb'ruary 3d 1843, and of May 22. 1846, fixing the computation of foreign Monies of Account at the Custom-houses of the United States, being entirely in error in consequence of changes, ought without delay to be corrected by the ensuing Statement.

I am, Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servant,
J.W. Pollock
Director of the Mint

Hon. Elisha Whittlesey,
Comptroller,
Treasury Department,
Washington City

P.S. The article "Sweden" being not quite definite, I am in hopes to be able to settle the point in a few days, by the receipt of some weighings.

March 2. 1.

Dear Sir.

I have recvd Your letter of the 28th. ult. enclosing draft for $36

The proof coins of 1861 have not yet been prepared on account of our heavy coinage operations. It will be some weeks before we will be able to strike them.

The common coinage pieces You desire can be forwarded at once.

Respectfully Yours,
James Ross Snowden
Director.
pr H. R. Linderman

L. P. Morse Esq.
Cashr. B. & E. R. R.
Buffalo.
N.Y.

New York Feb. 28th 1861

Hon. James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint
Philad.a Pa.

Dear Sir

I desire to get a copy of your official report of November 1860, concerning the value of foreign Gold & Silver coins. Will you have the goodness to send me one? or if they are to be purchased; will you please inform me, what the price is, and I will send the amount.

Very respectfully
I. W. H. Nesslage
Care of Trevor & Colgate
47 Wall St.
New York
N. Y.

Copy of Directors
Annual Report Sent
March 1. 1861.

From D. S.
P. M. St. Nicholas
N. Y.

Copy of last
Annual Report
requested
& forwarded
March 2, 1861

Philad^{a} February 28. 1861.

Col James Ross Snowden

Dear Sir.

Your favor of 26th, accepting my proposition to furnish the U. S. Mint with 2000 lb. Nickel was duly received.

I am very much obliged to you for trouble you have taken in the matter, & shall most assuredly fulfil the agreement of disposing of the cents only at their full value.

I am respectfully,

Your obedient servant

Jas Ritchie

From
Mors Phillips Esq

Exchange 3000
dls stocks for
land

March 11. 1861

The receipt from R. M. Patterson esq, is hereby acknowledged of the sum of fifty francs and eighty centimes for expenses paid by myself and Miss Taylor of Havre on account of a case of instruments shipped on board of the Sully and marked "R M 1801"

Duncan W Bradford

V. Consul U. S.

Paris, July 3d. 1837

Bills of Lading, etc

1861.

Ship Agents and Commission Merchants,
AGENTS FOR CALIFORNIA LINE OF CLIPPERS,
New Orleans, Texas, Mobile and other Southern Ports,
SAILING REGULARLY ON ADVERTISED DAYS,
No. 105 Arch Street, above Front, Philadelphia.

good order and well-conditioned by T Thorn is Perot & Co

n board the Ship called the Odysseus New York

whereof Howes is Master, now lying in the Port of [redacted]

and bound for San Francisco To say:

W M T. COLEMAN & Co. AGENTS
CARGO DELIVERABLE FROM SHIPS TACKLES
FREIGHT PAYABLE
NOT ACCOUNTABLE FOR DAMAGE
BY RUST LEAKAGE
OR BREAKAGE AT THE SHIPPERS RISK
56 & 58 WALL ST N.Y.

Twenty five Cases Toys

being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered in the like good order and well-conditioned, at the aforesaid Port of San Francisco (the dangers of the seas, fire and collision excepted,) unto U. S. Branch Mint or to assigns, he or they paying freight for the said Merchandise As per Prayer

+ Charges $5-40

with five per cent. primage and average accustomed. In witness whereof, the Master or Agents of the said vessel hath affirmed to 4 Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Not accountable for breakage, leakage or rust. WEIGHT AND CONTENTS UNKNOWN.

Dated in ~~PHILADELPHIA~~ New York, the 11th day of October 1861

Thos D. T Parker
for Master

U. S. Branch Mint
San Francisco
Cal

58 4/12 ft @ 32½ $18.96
5/0 .95
Charges 5.40
$25.31

Bill of Lading

Oct. 11. 1861

DUPLICATE DEPOSIT CERTIFICATE.

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT U. S. TREASURER, AT NEW ORLEANS.

No 1494

January 2d 1861

I Certify, That A. J. Guirot, Treas. U.S. Br. Mint N.O.

has this day Deposited, to the Credit of the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,

Two Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Eight Dollars forty nine

Cents, on account of Incidental & Contingent Fund of said

Br. Mint.

for which I have signed triplicate Receipts.

$2388.49

A. J. Guirot

Assistant Treasurer U. S.

P. Durel & Co., Printers, 37, Chartres St.

ORIGINAL DEPOSIT CERTIFICATE.

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT U. S. TREASURER, AT NEW ORLEANS.

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has this day Deposited, to the Credit of the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,
Two Thousand three Hundred Eighty eight Dollars forty nine
Cents, on account of Incidental & Contingent Fund of said
Br. Mint
for which I have signed triplicate Receipts.

$2,388 49/100

A. J. Guirot
Assistant Treasurer U. S.

P. Durel & Co., printers, 37, Chartres St.

No. 887

Office of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States.

Philadelphia, May 8th 1861

I Certify, That James Ross Snowden Director of the Mint

has this day deposited to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States,

Four Hundred & fifty four $\frac{37}{100}$ Dollars

on account of A J Guriot. Treas of Branch Mint N. O.

for which

I have signed triplicate receipts.

Dorwaltm

Assistant Treasurer U. S.

$454.37/100

Wm. Mann, Stationer, Philadelphia.

Pittsburgh September 9th 1861

$67 02/100

At sight pay to the order of
John C. Parry Sixty seven 02/100 Dollars for
Value received and charge to account of
Yours &c
John C. Parry

To The Hon. James Pollock
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia Pa

John C. Parry

Pay W. L. SCHAFFER,

CASHIER, OR ORDER

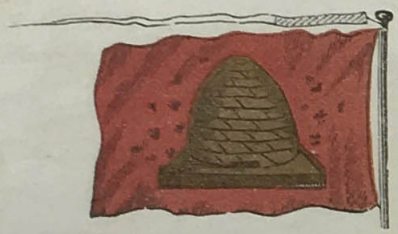
PITTSBURGH TRUST CO

W L Schaffer

Cash

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SUTTON & CO.'S
Dispatch Line San Francisco Packets,



No. 58 SOUTH STREET, corner of Wall, N. Y.

Nesbitt & Co., Printers and Stationers, cor. Pearl and Pine Streets.

U.S.M.

125 @ 4.25 $531.25
Pkg 26.56
$557.81

Shipped, in good order and well-conditioned, by C. T. F. Lennig

on board the Ship called the "Gage

whereof Holmes is Master, now lying in the Port of **NEW-YORK**,

and bound for **SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.**, To say:

One Hundred & Twenty five Carboys Acid

On Deck

Shipped on board the Ship "Gage" for San Francisco Cal. June 20th 1861

being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered, in the like good order and well-conditioned, at the aforesaid Port of **SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.**, (the dangers of the seas, fire and collision excepted,) unto United States Mint or to assigns, he or they paying freight for the said Merchandise Four 25/100 Dollars per Carboy with five per cent. primage, and average accustomed. **In Witness Whereof,** the Master or Purser of the said vessel hath affirmed to Four Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Goods to be received at the vessel's tackles, when ready for delivery. Not accountable for breakage, leakage, or rust. Freight payable before delivery, if required. WEIGHT AND CONTENTS UNKNOWN.

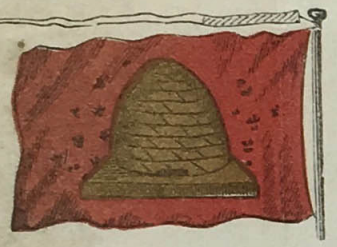
For the Master
E. A. Miller

Dated in **NEW-YORK**, the 29th day of June 1861

Bill of Lading

June 29. 1861

SUTTON & CO.'S
Dispatch Line San Francisco Packets,



No. 58 SOUTH STREET, corner of Wall, N. Y.

Nesbitt & Co., Printers and Stationers, cor. Pearl and Pine Streets.

N. S. M.

Shipped, in good order and well-conditioned, by _____

on board the Ship called the Golden Fleece

whereof Manson is Master, now lying in the Port of **NEW-YORK,**

and bound for **SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.,** To say:

Twenty five Carboys

on deck

being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered, in the like good order and well-conditioned, at the aforesaid Port of **SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.,** (the dangers of the seas, fire and collision excepted,) unto United States Govt or to Thems assigns, he or they paying freight for the said Merchandise Charges $22 50/100 20% Exchange & Four 50/100 Dollars per Carboy with five per cent. primage, and average accustomed. **In Witness Whereof,** the Master or Purser of the said vessel hath affirmed to Four Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Goods to be received at the vessel's tackles, when ready for delivery. Not accountable for breakage, leakage, or rust. Freight payable before delivery, if required. WEIGHT AND CONTENTS UNKNOWN.

Dated in **NEW-YORK,** the 17

day of June 186 5

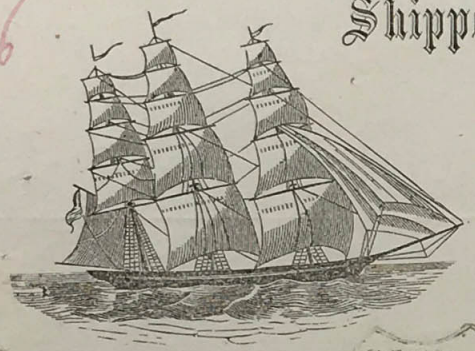
Stud. P. Baker
for Master

1 @ 4.20 $318.75
15.94
334.69
Primage 2.50
Exchange 20%
27.00
$361.69

Bill of Lading

June 17, 1861

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Shipped, in good order and well-conditioned by C & F Lenning

on board the Ship called the Web Foot

whereof Hedge is Master, now lying in the Port of ~~PHILADELPHIA~~ New York,

and bound for San Francisco Cal

BISHOP, SIMONS & CO.,

Ship Agents and Commission Merchants,

AGENTS FOR CALIFORNIA LINE OF CLIPPERS,

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SAILING REGULARLY ON ADVERTISED DAYS,

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No 88 WALL ST. N.Y.

being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered in the like good order and well-conditioned, at the aforesaid Port of San Francisco (the dangers of the seas, fire and collision excepted,) unto U. S. Mint or to ~~to~~ assigns, he or they paying freight for the said Merchandise as per margin & Charges

with five per cent. primage and average accustomed. In witness whereof, the Master or Agents of the said vessel hath affirmed to 4 Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Not accountable for breakage, leakage or rust. WEIGHT AND CONTENTS UNKNOWN.

Dated in ~~PHILADELPHIA~~ New York, the 26th day of October 1865

For the Master

J. H. Commission

U S Mint
San Francisco
Cal

3760 lbs @ 3/4 c $28.20

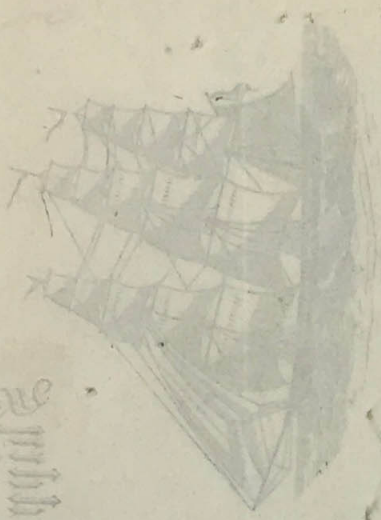
Primage 1.41

Charges 86

$30.47

Bill of Lading

Nov. 26. 1861



BISHOP, SIMONS & CO.,
Ship Agents and Commission Merchants,
AGENTS FOR CALIFORNIA LINE OF CLIPPERS,
New Orleans, Texas, Mobile and other Southern Ports,
SAILING REGULARLY ON ADVERTISED DAYS,
No. 105 Arch Street, above Front, Philadelphia.

U S Branch Mint
San Francisco
26½ ft @ 02½ ¢ 8.48
5 ft .42
Charges 1.44
10.34

ved, in good order and well-conditioned by A M Marist & Co.
on board the Ship called the Orpheus New York
whereof Hobbs is Master, now lying in the Port of PHILADELPHIA,
and bound for San Francisco To say:

W. & T. COLEMAN & Co. AGENTS
GOODS DELIVERABLE FROM SHIPS TACKLES
FREIGHT PAYABLE
BEFORE DELIVERY CONTENTS UNKNOWN DAMAGE
BY RUST LEAKAGE
FIRE AND COLLISION AT THE SHIPPERS RISK
No 88 WALL ST N.Y.

Ten Cases Gonat

being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered in the like good order and well-conditioned, at the aforesaid Port of San Francisco (the dangers of the seas, fire and collision excepted,) unto U S Branch Mint or to their assigns, he or they paying freight for the said Merchandise as per Margin
Charges 1.44
with five per cent. primage and average accustomed. In witness whereof, the Master or Agents of the said vessel hath affirmed to 4 Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.
Not accountable for breakage, leakage or rust. WEIGHT AND CONTENTS UNKNOWN.
Dated in ~~PHILADELPHIA~~ New York, the 14th day of Oct 1861

Andt Baker
for Master

Bill of Lading

Oct. 14, 1861

Feb 14. 1.

Sir.

The enclosed requisition, which requires your signature, and my letter to the Secretary of the Treasury covering the same, are forwarded to You in compliance with the request of Mr Dunning.

I am very Respectfully,
Your Obt Servt
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Sam. H. Butterworth Esq.
(Supt. Assay Office.)
Care of Hon M. C. Ingersoll
Washington City

P. S. Please Mail the enclosed with
Jets to Board. What say you?
Do Write Me P. S.

U. S. Assay Office,

New York Feb. 13, 1861

Sir,

I enclose a letter to the Secretary of the Treasury, containing a requisition for $12,000 to meet the expenses of this Office for the current month. — Mr. Butterworth, the Supt., is still in Washington, & I respectfully request that you will in this instance take the same course as with the last requisition, — forward it, with your own letter, to Mr. Butterworth, under cover to Dr. Gwin at Washington.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.,
Geo. F. Denning,
Supt's. Clk.

Hon. J. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

From To

Supt U. S. Assay Office

NY,

Requisition for

#12000

enclosed

Feb 14, 1861.

February 1861

Feb 19. 1.

Sir.

Frequent enquiries are made of me, as to the amount of Gold received from the "Pelha Rock" a Kansas Gold Region. To enable me to respond to enquiries of this character, it is necessary, that I should be furnished with a statement of the receipts from that region at your Office since the 30th June last. I ask that you be good enough to furnish such a statement as soon as convenient.

I am Very Respectfully,
Your Obt Servt
Director of the Mint.

Thos. P. Pettinworth Esq.
Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

To

Sam'l D. Butterworth

Supt U.S. Assay Office

N.Y.

Request Statement

of Kansas fund

deposited since

30th June last

Feb 20. 1861.

United States Assay Office

New York Mar. 12, 1861.

Sir,

I send, enclosed, a requisition for $20,000, addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, which I pray you to forward as usual.

I also enclose a triplicate receipt for $20,962.69,- the amount of "deductions" for the 4th quarter 1860 which are this day transferred to the U. States Treasury. In your letter to the Secretary of the Treasury will you not state the fact that the requisition which I have made is more than covered by this transfer to the Treasury? The great increase of our business has made heavy drafts on our fund for Exc. Exps., & we need the whole amount asked for.

Very respectfully
your obt. servt.
S. D. Butterworth
Supt

Hon. J. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

From the Supt
U. S. Assay Office
N.Y.

Requisition for
$20000
enclosed

March 14, 1861.

March 1861

U. S. Assay Office

New York April 15, 1861

Sir,

I send enclosed my requisition on the Secretary of the Treasury for $12,000, which I beg you to transmit as usual without delay.

Very respectfully
Your obt. servt.,
S. V. Butterworth
Cash

Hon. J. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint,
Phila.

From

Supt. U.S. Assay Office

Newyork

Apr 15 1861

Requisition for $12.000

enclosed —

April 1861

Astor House Ap 20. 61
8. a m

Jos. Brenda Esq
Director U.S. Mint
Phila

Dear Sir:

Your favor of yesterday reached me this moment for which accept my thanks - also a letter from the Comptroller in answer to your telegram of yesterday - in which he says that it will be necessary for the Secretary to approve the Bond before the Commission is sent - that all despatch shall be made - that he is confident the Commission will arrive here tomorrow evening. I had an earnest talk with Col Baker last evening setting forth our views as to the proper policy of the Govt in regard to the head of the Mint - in which he seemed fully to concur. I shall submit your memoranda today. He goes to Washington this eve - unless he speaks here today

I remain
Very Respectfully
Robt J Stevens

From
R. J. Stevens Esq
(Supt Prot Dept L.S.
N.Y.

Instructions to
his commissioners
&c

April 22. 1861.

Mint of the United States

Philadelphia 11 May 1861

Sir.

In consequence of a misdirection, since explained by you, your letter of the 6th inst. remained unopened until this morning.

As the most satisfactory answer to the inquiry made by you, I enclose a statement showing in detail the times of receipt and payment of the gold remittances made from your Office since your resumption of business on the 19th ult. From this statement it appears that the average delay of payment, by the Mint, is 8 days. I can see no reason why this average should be exceeded, on our part, except in consequence of a demand by you for the smaller denominations of gold coin.

Very respectfully Your

Obt Servt

Robt Patterson

Director

Geo. F. Downing, Esq

Acting Supt

Newyork

U. S. Assay Office

New York May 10, 1861

My dear Sir,

Having occasion, on the 6th inst., to write officially to the Director of the Mint, & relying upon information given me in the office of our Treasurer here, I addressed my letter to Gov. Pollock instead of yourself. I have now just learned that Mr. Pollock has not yet entered upon office. - I beg you to erase this oversight, and to believe that I have no desire to anticipate the severance of our official relations in the Mint service which have endured so many years & which have been so uniformly pleasant.

If my letter to Gov. P. is unopened, will you please to return it addressed to yourself? Yours truly

The regret that I experienced in view of the possible inconvenience to yourself, of being superseded in the office of Director, has been mitigated by learning of the very honorable appointment to which you have been called. Accept my best wishes for your prosperity & happiness, as well as my sincere thanks for all the courtesy that I have received at your hands.

I am very respectfully,
& truly Yours
Geo. F. Downing

Hon. J. R. Snowden
Phil.

United States Assay Office

New York May 6, 1861.

Sir,

The deposit of gold at this Office up to May 1, for which payment has not yet been made to depositors, amount in value to about $6,000,000. As the ability of the Assay Office to liquidate this debt is limited by the return of coin by the Mint for bullion transmitted for coinage, I am anxious to learn at what rate, in your judgment, these returns can be made until the above amount is reached. Will you oblige me by giving me this information as nearly as practicable?

Very respectfully,

Your obt. Servt.,

Geo. F. Dunning,

Acting Supt.

Hon. James Pollock,

Director of the Mint.

From D

Geo. F. Dunning E

Act. Supt. Oswego

N.Y.

Time for return for

deposits sent from

that Office

May 17. 1861.

May 1861

Mint of the United States.
Philad.a Feby 15. 1861.

Sir.

I have to request that You will, at Your earliest convenience, ascertain from the principal Bullion dealers in Your City, the terms upon which they will undertake to furnish the Mint with Silver bullion or foreign Silver Coin, to the Amount of from one to three hundred thousand dollars. and report the same to me. Payment to be made in Gold Coin.

Very Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Geo. T. Cumming Esq.
Act.g Asst.
U. S. Assay Office
New York.

June 1853.

Commenced
Adams
Copper.

to May 1861.

To.

Act. Supt
Assay Office
New York

Requesting him to
ascertain & report
the terms upon which
Silver Bullion can
be procured for the
Mint.

May 16, 1861

May 20. 61.

Sir.

I received on Saturday last your letter of the 17th inst. and thank you for the information therein furnished.

The willingness of the depositors of Silver at your office and the Mint to receive payment therefor in gold coin renders a purchase of silver bullion in open market unnecessary, at least for the present. Coinciding in the suggestion made by you on this point, I have requested the Department to issue the necessary transfer drafts to enable me to carry the exchange into effect. As soon as I receive a reply from the Secretary of the Treasury I will write you again on the

United States Assay Office

New York May 17, 1861.

Sir,

In compliance with your request of the 15th I have sought information as to the state of the silver market here. The impression prevails among our bullion dealers that silver is now worth more than the mint price, & that the demand for it is increasing. The supply here is not large, & the interruption of commerce with New Orleans & Mexico leads to the belief that a scarcity of silver is to be apprehended.

The lowest price at which I could procure $100,000 of Mexican Dollars &c. & upwards is $1.22½ per oz. std. payable in gold coin at New York.

There is a considerable amount of American (U.S.) Dollars held here, which I think I could purchase at 4 per cent. premium. This is equivalent to $1.21 per oz. I could probably get $100,000.

Allow me also to suggest that the silver deposits of this office now unpaid, amounting in value to about $180,000, could

be retained by paying their value in gold Coin here. I have a distinct offer to this effect from Mess. B. Berend & Co. & Mess. Colgate & Hoffman who hold on receipts for about $90,000. This silver has of course been purchased at $1.21 per oz.

If you should wish me to take any action with reference to either of the above suggestions I ought to know immediately, as the market is in a feverish state.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. servt.,
Geo. F. Downing,
Acting Supt.

Hon. James Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

To
Tom Ho
Supt Assay Office
New York

In relation to
Purchase of Silver
Bullion for coinage

May 20. 1861.

Mint of the United States.
Philad.a May 23. 1861

Sir.

I enclose for your information copies of two letters recently received by me from Messrs Bolgate & Hoffmans, of your City, complaining of the delay experienced in receiving returns for deposits made at your office, and my reply thereto. also, a copy of the statement referred to in my letter. By reference to this statement it will be seen that the average time for the return of coin to your Office from the Mint, does not exceed ten days. I will be glad to hear from you generally on this subject, and will thank you to state how it was that deposits made by Bolgate & Hoffmans, on the 20th of March last, remained unpaid up to the 20th inst.

I suppose that several days must necessarily elapse before deposits received at your Office can be [in coin] particularly if the bullion requires parting, can be prepared for transmission to the Mint. Please furnish such information on this head as you may deem pertinent to the

matter.

Very Respectfully
[illegible]
Director of the Mint

Geo. W. Downing Esq
Asst. Supt Treasury Office
New York

To.
Geo F. Dunning Esq
Act. Supt U. S. Assay Office
N.Y.

Enclosing copies of
correspondence with
Coegate & Hoffman
in relation to delay
in receiving payment
for deposits at N.Y.
Assay Office.

May 23. 1861.

May 27. 1.

Sir,

Your communication of the 24th inst has been received. The information furnished on the points referred to in my letter of the 20th inst is satisfactory.

I am fully aware of the necessity and importance, in the present state of financial affairs, of making speedy returns for the large amount of gold that are coming in upon us, and the depositors of bullion may rest assured that no exertion will be spared to facilitate the coinage of the same.

You will please inform me of the terms upon which acids are supplied to your institution and the time at which the agreement therefor expires.

I am very Respectfully,
Jas. Pollock
Director of the Mint

Jno. F. Dunning Esq.
Act. Dep't. Assay Office,
New York.

United States Assay Office

New York May 24, 1861.

Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 23d inst. with enclosures.

The bullion deposited at this Office is of two classes, - partible and non-partible. If the rule of paying in the order of deposit were rigidly enforced, injustice would be done to depositors of non-partible bullion. We have therefore adopted the rule of paying for on deposits in the order in which they are sent by us to the Mint. It results from this that, of two deposits made on the same day, one consisting of Sovereigns will be sent to the Mint & perhaps returned in Coin & paid for before the other, which was of partible bullion, is ready to be sent forward. Thus the deposit of March 20th referred to by Mess. Colgate & Hoffman remained unpaid ~~unpaid~~ until this day, while deposits of Sovereigns as late as May 4th had been previously paid for. The reason for this is that the invoice sent to the Mint May 9th was composed in part of the deposit of Mess. C. & H., referred to, & for which invoice the Coins this day

received from the Mint are the payment.

I do not understand that Mess. Colgate & Hoffman intend to make this particular case a subject of complaint to you against this Office. The causes of the unusual delay, even for portable bullion, in that instance, they have had repeatedly explained to them, & to their entire satisfaction.

I mention for your information that Mess. C. & H.'s gold was one of a number of portable deposits received just prior to the stoppage of our operations for the annual settlement of our Melter & Refiner's a/c. The delay for this purpose was increased by the giving out of our boilers; & it was not until the 28th April that the repairs were so far completed as to enable Mr. Kent to set a heat in the refinery. The fine bars then prepared were, as already stated, sent to the Mint on the 9th May, & the proceeds this day returned to us in coin. — Mess. C. & H. referred to this case probably to give a sort of rhetorical effect to their general complaint.

The parting operation is to be regarded as a preparatory process performed by Government to make certain kinds of bullion fit for coinage. The delay to the depositor from this cause does not ordinarily exceed one week, & we feel the importance of forwarding bullion to the Mint as promptly as possible.

I notice the tabular statement enclosed in your letter showing an average delay in the return of coin by the Mint, from April 19 to May 21, of 10 days. For the month of May the average would be 14 days.

I do not of course presume to express any opinion as to the reasonableness of the complaints which are being made by our depositors, so far as the Mint is concerned. I doubt not that you are fully aware of the importance in the present state of the country of giving every facility to our Banks & Bankers to make available the large amounts of gold that are coming in upon them.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.,
Geo. F. Downing,
Acting Supt.

Dr. Wm. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

Form No

Act. Superintendent
Assay Office
New York

In relation to payment
of gold deposits &
complaints of delay
in receiving same

As to Acid Supply

May 27. 1861.

June 2. 1.

Sir.

Your letter of the 31st inst. to the Treasurer of the Mint, in relation to the proposed action in some of your banking institutions deposites, was referred to me by that Officer.

I am quite willing that the proposed call shall be made on the Secretary of the Treasury, being confident that a simple statement of the facts bearing on the question, is all that is necessary to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Department, that there has been no unnecessary delay at the Mint, in making returns for deposits.

Very Respectfully Yr.

Director of the Mint.

Hon. Thos. Ewing
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington City.

To

Treasurer U.S. Assay Office

New York.

Proposed action of bullion dealers in regard to delay in payment of deposits -

June 3/61 -

June 1861

June 2. 1.

Sir.

I have received your letter of the 31st
ult.

Under a recent allowance for postage
for supplying the Mail with acids. I have received and
accepted a bid at 8 cts each for Nitric
acid - asking 9 cts per pound when delivered in
Lots containing not less than 5 lbs each - and 12½ per pound for Sulphuric acid. These
are favorable rates compared with those formerly
paid. With a view to obtain a corresponding reduction
(or something more) at your Office, I recommend that
you invite proposals for supplying of acid, for one
year by public advertisement to the lowest responsible
bidder - and transmit to me your opinion as to the
bid you should consider to accept. I make this request
in consequence of having the right, under my contract,
of requiring acids to be supplied to your offices at
the same rates, if it should become necessary to
do so.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obt. Servt.

E. [illegible]

Asst. Postmaster Genl.

[illegible] Esqr.
Auditor of the Treasury
for the Post Office Dept.

United States Assay Office

New York May 31, 18

Sir,

Referring to the last paragraph of your letter of the 27th inst. I have to state that this office is supplied with Acid from the manufactory of Mr. Kalbfleisch of Brooklyn. No formal contract exists with him, & we have the right to supply ourselves elsewhere whenever we can do so advantageously to the Government.

Prior to April 1st. the price of Nitric Acid had been for some time 7½ ct. per lb. At that date Mr. Kalbfleisch reduced his price to 7 ct.

I am, very respectfully,

Your obt. servt.,

Geo. F. Downing,

Acting Supt.

Hon. James Pollock,

Director of the Mint.

From & to
Ged. T. Dunning
Act'g. Supt. Assay Office
New York.

Supply of Acids -
Recommending advertisement
for proposals to supply -
June 3/61 -

June 25. 1.

Sir,

I see no objection to the arrangement you propose in reference to the silver dollars purchased for coinage, and we will, therefore, give it a trial. Should any loss be experienced from spurious coins or variations of fineness, the arrangement can be modified to meet the case.

Very Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

Lyes P. Denning Esq.
Act. Supt. Assay Office
New York

United States Assay Office

New York June 14, 1861.

Sir,

As a measure of courtesy to the Mint, and to save for the Government unnecessary expense, I have directed that deposits of U. S. Silver dollars be forwarded to the Mint without melting. A deduction from the actual weight, of $\frac{75}{100}$ of an ounce for every 1000 ounces, will be made for dirt, grease &c., and the fineness will be assumed at 900. Care will be taken, however, to protect the Mint from loss from the presence of questionable coins.

If this arrangement should not meet your approval, or if it will be attended by a liability of reclamation upon this Office for variations of fineness, I beg you to inform me.

Very respectfully,
your obt. Servt.,
Geo. F. Downing,
Acting Supt.

Wm. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

June 6th 1

Sir.

The silver dollars referred to in your letter of yesterday may be purchased for coinage at 99 1/2 per cent, paid for as other silver purchases. It will not be necessary to require the depositor to leave the dollars in possession.

I am very Respectfully,
Your Ob. Servt.
Director of the Mint

Geo. W. Manning Esq.
Act. Dep. Assay Office
New York

U. S. Assay Office

New York June 5, 1861.

Sir,

A depositor presents about $40,000 in U.S. Silver dollars for coinage into Silver Coin at $1.21 per oz.

Will you authorize this Office to receive these dollars, or must the depositor first deface them?

My own judgement would lead me to receive them. They are not coins of circulation, but Silver billion of peculiar form, and might I think be receivable on the same footing as bars or foreign coins.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. Servt.

Geo. F. Dunning,

Acting Supt.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,

Director of the Mint.

From Sd
Act. Supt.
U.S. Assay Office
N.Y.

In relation to receipt
of Silver deposits
by you & has.
for Coinage.
Receipt acknowledged

June 6. 1861.

From X to
Act'g Supt. Assay Office
New York.

Deposits of Silver Dollars
to be sent to Mint without
melting -

June 15/61 -

July 17. 1.

Sir.

I have to call your attention to the brittleness of some of the food received from your Office, which renders it unfit for Courage, unless previously toughened. I mean all this food is received [illegible] Millers Refiners must positively learn beforehand, when it is too hard and brittle for Courage. This quality can be more easily determined and of course improved at your Office. Moreover the charge to the depositor should be made at the Office of deposit, when the food requires toughening. The brittleness has been more particularly observed in the Kentucky first two, which are refined by the Sulphuric Acid process, and are therefore apt to contain lead.

The bars of fine gold refined at your Office, issued to day, are reported by the Melter & Refiner, to be covered with brownish red spots. There spots often exhibit themselves after rolling, annealing, &c on the face of the coins. Condemning

same, and thereby causing serious drawbacks
in time, expense of remelting & sometimes of forging
I would suggest that the free use of Nitre
in melting fine gold is most aptly to obviate
this objectionable feature in your fine bars.

Please give your careful attention
to the subject.

Very Respectfully,
J. A. Pollock
Director of the Mint,

Geo. H. Dunning Esq.
Act. Supt. Assay Office,
New York.

U. S. Assay Office

New York June 20, 1861

Sir,

I send you, by this mail, several copies of the N. Y. Eve. Post, containing an advertisement for "Proposals" for acid. May I ask of you the favor to address these papers to such Manufacturers of acid in Philadelphia as would be likely to make proposals?

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.,
Geo. F. Denning,
acting Supt.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

From
Geo. F. Dunning Esq
Asst Supt Assay Office
N. Y.

Copies of Press
Paper containing
proposals for
acid forwarded

June 21. 1861.

United States Assay Office

New York July 6, 1861.

Sir,

I now transmit for your examination the several bids for acid received in response to my advertisement of the 17th ult, viz:

	Nitric.	Sulphuric.
C. Martin	Cts. 6.40 per lb.	Cts. 2.00 per lb.
M. J. Conway	" 6.20 "	" 2.00 "
C. & F. Lennig (Mar. to Nov.)	" 5.90 "	" 2.00 "
(Dec. to Feb.)	" 6.15 "	" 2.12½ "
M. Kalbfleisch	" 6.00 "	" 1.80 "
I add also a proposal received before my advertisement from		
Savage & Stewart	" 7.00 "	" 1.87½ "

The average of the bids of Messrs. Lennig for Nitric Acid is apparently a trifle lower than that of M. Kalbfleisch. The difference is, however, too slight in my judgment to justify us in making a change in the mode of supplying this office. We have no room for storing a large stock of acid, & must therefore be exposed to no uncertainty in getting what we required at

short notice. The pecuniary responsibility of Mess. Laing is beyond question; but what we require is an unfailing supply of acid from day to day, & not damages in case of failure. The probability is, doubtless, that the Mess. Laing would comply fully with the terms of their contract; but the liability to interruption during the winter months is I think more than sufficient to neutralize the slight advantage in price which their proposal would seem to present.

There is another view, however, in which their offers are to be regarded. They state two prices, - one for the winter months of Dec. Jan. & Feb., and another lower price for the other nine months of the year. Now it happens that our consumption of Acid has heretofore been much larger in proportion during the three winter months in which Mess. Laing ask the highest prices than during the other months.

From March to Nov. 1859 we used			49,851 lbs.
" Dec '59 to Feb. '60	"	"	119,202 "
" March to Nov. '60	"	"	229,311 "
" Dec. to Feb '61			184,582 "

At the changing prices of Mess. Lenig on acid would have cost us more during these two years, than at the uniform price of 6 cts. proposed by Mr. Kalbfleisch.

In view of the considerations thus presented, I am clearly of opinion that the proposal of Mr. Kalbfleisch of 6 cts. per lb. for Nitric Acid, and 1 8/10 cts. for Sulphuric, is the one most advantageous for the Government.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. servt.
Geo. F. Downing,
Acting Supt.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

P.S. I will thank you to return the enclosed proposals.

From.
Geo. F. Dunning Esq
Act. Supt. Assay Office
N.Y. July 6th.

Enclosing Bids
for supplying that
Office with Acids
July 8. 1861.

July 9. 1.

Sir.

Your letter of the 6th inst. with the enclosures stated, have been received.

I coincide with you in the opinion that the bid of Mr. Kalkstein - 6 cts per pound for nitric and $1.80 for Sulphuric Acid - is the most advantageous offer for the government. You will therefore please accept the same, and have a written agreement with Mr. Kalkstein duly executed.

Very Respectfully,

J. A. Rockwell
Director of the Mint

Geo. N. Sanders Esq.
Asst. Supt. U. S. Mint Office,
New York.

The Bids are herewith returned.

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, 17. July. 1861

Dear Sir

I have to call your attention
I regret the necessity of draw-
ing your attention to the brittleness of
some of the Gold received from the
Your
N.Y. Assay Office, rendering it unfit
for coinage, unless previously toughened.
Since we receive nearly all this gold in
the shape of uniforme bars, our all of it
readily know beforehand, when it is
too hard & brittle for coinage; but this
quality can be more easily determined,
& of course improved, where the deposits
are first received & melted. Moreover,
the charge to the depositor ought to be
showed
made at the office of deposit, where
the gold requires toughening. We have
more particularly observed the brittleness
of the French fine gold bars, which are
refined by the Sulphuric acid proces,
& are therefore apt to contain Lead.

May I solicit you to call the attention of the proper officer in the Assay Office to the defect noticed, resulting probably from the large amount of melting performed, to the neglect of attention to quality, which is all important in coinage.

Very truly yours
J. A. C. Booth
M. A. R.

Hon. James Pollock
Director

I have at the same time to

P. S. Permit me, dear Sir, to draw your attention at the same time to the bars of fine gold, refined at the N. Y. Assay Office. Nearly every bar rec'd today is covered with brownish red spots, which often exhibit themselves after rolling, annealing, &c on the surface of the coin, condemning them, of course. We have sometimes had $100,000 con-

demned on this account, causing a serious drawbacks in time, expense of remelting & sometimes of fluxing. May I suggest that the free use of nitre in melting fine gold is most likely to obviate this objectionable feature in their fine bars. We have never found it on our own bars.

I. C. B.

To
Act. Supt. Army Offices
N.Y.

In relation to
Goods Boxes from
that office.

Attempts
of same

July 17. 1861.

From & to
Actg Supt Assay Office
Newyork

Proposals to supply Acids

July 9/61

July 1861

Walter Keyes's

Correspondence

1861

July 23d 1.

Dir.

I will thank you to present a statement of
Your operations for the last fiscal year. as full as
may be convenient.

Very Respectfully
James Pollock
Director of the Mint.
per H. R. Linderman

Geo. F. Dunning Esq.
Act. Supt. Assay Office.
New York.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, 186

To

Geo. F. Downing Esq

Act. Supt Assay Office

Ky

Statement of operations

for fiscal year

requested

Aug 22. 1861

Philadelphia July 27, 1841

Sir.

Being engaged in preparing the statistical tables to accompany my Annual Report for the last Fiscal year, I have to request that you will forward a statement of the operations of your Office, for that period, as soon as convenient.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obt. Servt.

Geo. F. Dunning Esq.
Act. Dept. Assay Office,
New York.

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia July 27. 1861.

Sir.

Being engaged in preparing the statistical tables to accompany my Annual Report, for the last fiscal year, I have to request that you will forward a statement of the operations of your office, for that period as soon as convenient.

Very Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Geo. F. Deming Esq.
Act. Supt. Assay Office,
New York.

To

Act. Supt Assay Office,
New York

Request Annual Statement
for last fiscal year
to be sent without delay

July 29. 1861.

United States Assay Office,

New York, July 29, 1861

Sir,

The report asked for in your letter of the 27th inst. is now in course of preparation & shall be sent to you as soon as possible.

An attack of Illness, which has kept me from my office for ten days past, has prevented my earlier attention to this matter.

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Geo. F. Dunning
Acting Supt.

Wm. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

From
Geo. H. Dunning
Act. Supt. &
Assay Office
N.Y.

Excuse for
not sending
Annual Statement

July 30. 1861.

July 30. 1.

Sir,

Referring to a communication from this Office of the 16th of March last, and your reply thereto under date of the 22d of the same month, I have to request that all silver deposits or purchases containing gold made at your Office be refined prior to being transmitted to the Mint for Coinage. The charges to be imposed for separating gold from silver, will be found in a Communication from this Office of 1st Sept. 1859.

My attention has been called to this subject in consequence of the request recently from your Office, of deposits of the character above referred to, which will cost to refine at the Mint, according to an estimate of Prof. Booth, about $1300 which we have no means of reimbursing.

Very Respectfully,

J. A. Pollock

Director of the Mint

Geo. F. Cumming Esq.,
Act. Supt. Assay Office,
New York.

Mint of the United States.

To

Geo. F. Dunning Esq

Supt. U. S. Assay Office

N. Y.

Instructions to refine

Silver deposits containing

Gold prior to transmitting

Same to Mint for Coinage

Special File "Instructions"

July 30. 1861.

To.
Supt. Assay Office
New York

A/c. Requisition. —
Transfer of deductions
to

Aug 2. 1861.

August 1861

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Aug 3, 1861.

Sir.

I received yesterday, your letter of the 1st inst. enclosing a copy of your requisition of the 12th ult. on the Department, for Seventy Five Thousand Dollars. The Department has been advised of my approval of the requisition and requested to forward a draft for the amount as early as convenient.

The deductions from deposites at your office, from 1st January to June 30. 1861. should be, as soon as convenient, paid into the Treasury of the U. S. to the credit of the appropriation for the support of your institution. in order that we may balance our Register of Appropriations, Deductions and Requisitions for the last fiscal year.

In transmitting the certificate of the Asst. Treasurer for the transfer in question, you may at the same time, if you think proper, enclose a requisition for one quarters expenses, which can be conveniently met from the amount remitted into the U. S. Treasury for the support of your Office.

Very Respectfully,

Director U. S. Mint

Geo. H. Dunning Esq.
Asst. Supt. Assay Office
New York.

United States Assay Office

New York August 1, 1861.

Sir,

I enclose a copy of a letter which I addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury on the 12th ult., containing a requisition for $25,000 to meet the current expenses of this Office. The instructions of the Department, requiring such requisitions to be presented through you, were inadvertently overlooked. I respectfully request that you will without delay transmit the copy of my letter enclosed, & give immediate attention to the matter. Our Treasurer is without the means of paying the daily expenses of the Office.

Very respectfully
your obt. Servt.,
Geo. F. Denning,
Acting Supt.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

From S. Ld

Supt. Assay Office

New York

Requisition for

$25,000

Deductions to be

paid into Treasury U. S.

Aug 3, 1861

Mint of the United States,
Philad^a Aug 5. 1861.

Sir.

I duly received your letter of the 1st inst. in relation to certain deposits of silver containing gold. ~~and~~ enclosed a communication from Prof. Booth, in relation to the cost of refining the same.

I shall be pleased to receive the promised estimate of ~~f~~ Your Melter & Refiner, as to the expense of refining bullion, of the character referred to, in Your communication.

Very Respectfully,

Director

Geo. F. Dunning Esq.
Act. Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

United States Assay Office

New York Aug. 1, 1861.

Sir,

In conformity with your instructions of the 30th ult., all silver bullion containing gold received by us will be refined at this Office. As the bullion which comes to us from the Washoe Mines presents some peculiar features, I have requested our Melter & Refiner to submit an estimate of the expense of refining it. This estimate I will transmit to you when received, that you may determine whether or not any modification is necessary in the existing tariff of charges.

I notice your statement, based upon an estimate of Prof. Booth, that the cost of refining certain deposits of silver recently sent from this Office, over & above the charges imposed by our Assayer, will be about $1800. Does this result from any omission at this Office to make the proper charges, or is it an indication

that the charges prescribed by the existing tariff are less than the actual cost of the operation?

In this connection, I would remark in reply to your letter of the 17th inst. that it is a matter of regret to our Melter & Refiner that any little bars of fine gold should have escaped his notice & been sent to the Mint. The attention of our Assayer is constantly directed to this point, & their charges are intended to cover every case where toughening is required. Is it not possible that the brittleness developed in the standard ingots made at the Mint may sometimes be due to impurities in the copper introduced for alloy?

The "brownish red spots" of which Mr. Booth complains are attributed by our Mr. Kent to the use of iron water-pipes. He has caused lead pipes to be substituted, & promises to remove all ground of complaint in this particular.

Allow me to call your attention to the low price of Silver abroad. The latest London quotations (July 20th) give

"Silver in Bars (Standard) £0.5.0¼".

Rating the pound sterling at $4.85, this price is equivalent to $1.21¾ per M. 925 fine

or 1.18 46/100 " " 900 "

for which last our Mint price is $1.21.

The importation of Silver from Europe is increasing, & I have little doubt that it would be deposited at a reduced price. But so long as our Silver Coins circulate freely at par, or nearly so, I should question the policy of a reduction of the Government price. In the present state of the Country it seems to me desirable to stimulate rather than discourage the influx of Silver.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.,
Geo. F. Deming,
Acting Supt.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

Treas Dept

Geo. S. Dunning Esq

Act. Supt

Assay Office NY

In relation to Refining

of Silver deposits

containing Gold

Aug 5. 1861

United States Assay Office,

New York, August 5th 1861.

Geo. F. Dunning Esq

Supt. &c — In reply to your request of this morning I present the following statement

Mr. B. Martin has been one of my Assistants in this Office ever since its organization about Seven years ago. He is a most accurate Assayer both of gold & silver, faithful, amiable & quiet in his deportment, a gentleman in his manners, & christian by profession. In the whole time that he has been associated with me there has not been, on a single occasion the least misunderstanding with me, or with any other person connected with the Office. His resignation would leave a void that we could not easily fill with so valuable a man.

Yours very respectfully

John Loring Assayer

United States Assay Office,

New York Aug. 5, 1861.

Sir,

In accordance with your request of the 3d inst. I have inquired of Dr. Torrey respecting the qualifications of Mr. B. F. Martin, who has received an appointment as Assistant Assayer at San Francisco. The enclosed letter, which Dr. Torrey has addressed to me, bears most emphatic testimony to Mr. Martin's skill as an Assayer and to his character as a gentleman.

My own acquaintance with Mr. Martin, of more than ten years' standing, enables me to corroborate the favorable opinions expressed by Dr. Torrey. He is in my judgment eminently fair-minded & discreet, & I regard his appointment, under existing circumstances, as peculiarly fortunate.

Mr. Martin will leave by the Steamer of the 12th inst., but will wait upon you in person before his departure.

I am, very respectfully &c.

Geo. F. Downing,
acting Supt.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

From
Geo F. Downing Esq
Act. Supt. Assay
Office N. Y.

Relative to B. of
Martin — Testimonial
of Dr Torrey endorsed
Aug 7. 1861.

United States Assay Office,

New York Aug. 5, 1861.

Sir,

I enclose a certificate of the Asst. Treasurer of N.Y., for $13,090.25, being the "Deductions" of the 1st quarter 1861, transferred to the U.S. Treasury on the 27th inst. last. A similar transfer of the "Deductions" for the 2d. quarter will be made as soon as the precise amount can be determined, & I will then transmit the certificate.

The requisition for the sum of $25,000, recently made by me, was designed to cover our expenses for the current quarter. It will not be necessary to make a further requisition till near the close of the quarter.

Very respectfully,
your obt. Servt.,
Geo. F. Deming,
Acting Supt.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

From
Act. Supt. Assay Office
N.Y.

Enclosing subsidiary
deposit deductions
3 Qr fiscal year
1860-61-

Aug 7, 1861.

(copy)

Mint of the United States
Melting and Refining Department
Philadelphia 8 Aug. 1861

Dear Sir

In reply to that portion of Mr. Demmings letter, which seems to call for reply, I may mention that the Expense which I estimated for refining the two last lots of Auriferous Silver, recd. - from the N.Y. Assay Office, viz $1300. was at the rate of 5 cts. pr oz. on 26,000 oz. the usual rate for refining them as Gold Deposits. I presented to you two alternatives. 1. Either that we must refine such silver as gold deposits, when the charge of 5 cts. pr. oz. for refining would be proper. or 2. that we must retain such silver on hand, until we shall accumulated sufficient gold (unrefined) to mix with it, so that the more moderate rates for refining may be charged. In this alternative, we loose considerable time, say several weeks, which is certainly to objectionable in the present urgent demand for bullion deposited to be allowed. We must therefore resort to the former alternative, - to refine the goldy silver without delay, at a cost to us of 5 cts. pr. oz. gross. The whole cost for the 26,000 oz. would be 1300, from which of course is to be deducted the parting allowance made in the Assay Office, leaving however a large amount absolutely

lost to the Govt. Thus the cost of refining the 14,000 oz. recd three days ago, would be $ 700 (at the rate of 5 cts.) because we have no gold to refine with it. The allowance for parting in the Assay Office is $ 223.17. Hence the absolute loss would be 700 - 223.17 = $ 476.83.

On one other point in the letter I wish to make a remark. I am aware of the difficulties of toughening Gold, refined with Washoe silver, but these difficulties should be met at the Office, where it is deposited & refined, because the toughening can be accomplished in part or wholly, during refining or previous to melting.

Respectfully

(signed) Jas. E. Booth

Hon. James Pollock
Director U. S. Mint

Ys.

Act. Supt. Assay Office
New York

Enclosing Roy Booth's
communication as
to early opening
certain deposits.

Aug 7, 1861.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia August 5. 1861.

Sir.

I duly received your letter of the 1st inst. in relation to certain deposits of silver containing gold. Enclosed please find a communication from Prof Booth. in relation to the cost of refining the same.

I shall be pleased to receive the promised estimate of Your Master Refiner, as to the expense of refining bullion, of the character referred to in Your communication.

Very Respectfully,
Jas. Pollock
Director of the Mint

Lyn. H. Denning Esq
Act. Asst. Assay Office.
New York

United States Assay Office

New York Aug. 9th 1861.

Sir,

I transmit enclosed a tabular statement exhibiting the operations of this Office, monthly & in the aggregate, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1861. The whole value of our deposits of gold & silver is shown to have been $ 54,225,500.32.

Very respectfully,
your obt. servt.,
Geo. F. Denning,
Acting Supt.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

From
Acting Supt. Assay Office
New York

Statement of Bullion from
1 July 1860 to 30 June 1861

Aug 10, 1861

Oct. 5. 1.

Dear Sir,

As the time for transmitting the Estimates to the Register of the Treasury, is near at hand, I will thank you to furnish me with those for your institution, as soon as convenient.

Very Respectfully

Director of the

T. Fanning Esq.
Actg. Agent. Relay Office.
New York.

To

Geo. F. Dunning Esq

Act. Supt. Assay Office

New York

Annual Estimates

Requested

Oct 8. 1861

October

~~December~~ 1861

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, 186

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Sept. 13. 61.

Sir,

I have to request that you will present, as soon after the close of the present quarter as convenient, an Estimate of the Appropriations which will be required for the support of your institution for the next fiscal year, together with the grounds upon which the same are based.

Very Respectfully
Jas. Pollock
Director of the Mint.

A. Dunning Esq.
Chief Asst.
U.S. Assay Office,
New York.

To.

Geo. F. Dunning Esq.
Act. Supt.
Assay Office,
N.Y.

Annual Estimates
Requested.

Sept. 13. 1861.

September 1861

United States Assay Office

Copy. New York Sep. 25th 1861.

Sir,

I have made a careful estimate of the cost of refining Native Silver, containing Gold, in which I operated upon 26 deposites weighing 21684 oz., and containing 16573 oz. Silver and 2280 oz. Gold.

The total cost of the operation was $440.14, which divided by 21684 oz. gives $2\frac{03}{100}$ cts. pr oz. Bullion.

While engaged in the above experiment, the Secretary of the Treasury visited this Office, and in a personal interview with him, I was authorized to make a similar experiment with Jewellers' Gold. In this experiment I operated upon 21 deposites weighing 1879 oz. & containing 576 oz. Gold, and 672 oz. Silver. The total cost of this operation was $72.94 giving $3.\frac{88}{100}$ cts. pr oz. Bullion.

To complete the above experiments, I found it necessary to make an estimate of the cost of refining California Gold. This estimate is based on the average operations of this Office for the present year which is 34800 oz. pr week. The cost pr oz. was found to be $3\frac{59}{100}$ cts.

The above estimates include (according to law) the cost of materials and labor for refining

the Gold. The cost of assaying, Deposits - melting, Repairs to Apparatus & Machinery, and Officers Salary is not included.

I have preserved full details of all the above experiments, and shall be happy to furnish them if requested to do so.

Very Respectfully
Yours Obt. Servant
(Signed) Edward H. Kent
Melter & Refiner

Geo. F. Dunning, Esq.,
Acting Superintendent.

United States Assay Office

New York Sept. 29, 1864.

Sir,

In my letter of the 18th. ultimo, on the subject of Washoe Silver, I stated: "As the bullion which comes to us from the Washoe mines presents some peculiar features, I have requested Messrs Kent & Raymond to submit an estimate of the expense of refining it. This estimate I will transmit to you, when received, that you may determine whether or not any modification is necessary in the existing tariff of charges".

Mr. Kent having completed his experiments I now send a copy of his report. You will notice that, at the request of the Secretary of the Treasury, who chanced to visit the office while Mr. Kent's experiments were in progress, a special examination was made of the cost of refining Jewelers' Bars. Mr. Kent has completed his report by including an estimate of the expense of refining gold of the usual character of California deposits.

The vaults reached by Mr. Kent serve to confirm the correctness of the existing tariff, and I do not think that any modification of it is required. In the case of Jewelers' Bars, a class of deposits which it is not desirable for us to invite, our present practice is to impose the highest charge which the case admits of.

Very respectfully
your obt. servt.,
Geo. F. Downing,
Acting Supt.

Hon. James Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

From.

Geo F. Dunning

Act. Supt

Assay Office

NY

In relation to

expenses of refining

Washoe Silver

Experiments of

Prof Rand

Oct 8. 1861

To
Geo F. Dunning
Act Supt Army Transp
N.Y.

Sendry Bunker Slips
Tariff of Charges

Dec 5. 1861

December 1861

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, 186

Oct. 26th 1.

Sir.

Your letter of the 25th inst. has been received.

I agree with you that it is not desirable to encourage the class of deposits referred to in Your letter - Your recommendation to give the Assayer discretionary power to modify the charge for refining this description of bullion according to circumstances, is approved but the charge must not be less than five cents to pay owner.

Very Respectfully.

[signature]
Director of the Mint.

George E. Dunning Esq.
Act. Asst. U.S. Assay Office,
New York

Oct 25, 1861

Sir,

My attention is called to a recent deposit at this Office of Coppery Silver from Lake Superior. Its weight is 1502 oz., and its Silver fineness 207½ ‰, the remainder being clean copper, - some 80 lb. avoirdupois.

Now by the existing regulations, [See Director's letter of Sept. 24th, 1859,] a charge of 3 cts. per oz. on 1458 oz. must be made for refining, which is only constructively performed, as in practice this bullion will go to the Mint without refining. - It is not desirable to encourage this class of deposits, & I do not suggest paying for the copper. Would it not be expedient, however, to give the Assayer a discretionary power in such cases to modify the charge according to circumstances?

Very respectfully
Your obt. servt.,
Geo. F. Dunning,
Acting Supt.

Hon. James Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

From Us

Geo F. Dimmig

Act Supt Assay Office

New York

Charge for parting
and refining Gold
Deposited Silver not
to be less than 6 cts
per ounce

Oct. 26th. 1861

United States Assay Office.

New York, Oct. 15, 1861.

Sir,

I transmit herewith my estimates of the Expenses of this Office, and of the appropriations needed, for the Fiscal year ending June 30, 1863.

The necessity for the increase of these Estimates, as compared with those for the previous year, is found in the vast increase of our business. The aggregate deposits of bullion at this Office in 1860 were about $7,000,000; while for the first nine months of 1861 they have exceeded $58,000,000, or at the rate of nearly $80,000,000 per year.

I am very respectfully,
Your obt. servt.,
Geo. F. Denning,
Acting Supt.

Hon. James Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

From.

Act. Supt Assay Office

New York

Annual Estimates

presented for 1862-3

Oct 16. 1861.

U. S. Assay Office,

New York Oct. 9, 1861

Sir,

I enclose a requisition upon the Secretary of the Treasury for $35,000, to meet the expenses of the current quarter, which I will thank you to transmit as usual.

I send you also the receipt of the Assistant Treasurer at New York for $16,799,11, being the amount of deductions from deposits for the 2d. quarter 1861.

Very respectfully,
your obt. servt.,
Geo. F. Downing
Acting Supt.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Director of the Mint.

From To

Act. Supt. Army Offm

N. Y.

Requisition

for $35,000

Deductions of

4th Qr. 1860.61

paid into U. S

Treasury

Oct 10. 1861.

Ct. No. 1.

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 9th inst. with the enclosure stated.

Your requisition for Thirty two thousand Dollars, has been approved and forwarded to the Department.

Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
A. Pollock
Director of the Mint.

Jno. F. Dunning Esq.
Act. Supt. Assay Office,
New York.

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1861 / ANNUAL REPORTS

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1861 / MARCH

Examiner should advise branch interest on demand or time loans should be collected at least every six months; and that mere payment of interest is not considered a renewal formal extension agreement is signed by all parties or the laws of the State provide otherwise. A new note, if practicable, at each maturity date is preferable.

* Include in "bad debts" only those bonds which have reached actual maturity dates, and otherwise come within the definition of a statutory bad debt.

SLOW AND DOUBTFUL PAPER AND LOSSES ON LOANS

List here all paper, including overdue paper, called for by this schedule. State briefly in each case the reason for the classification, and such ment as may be deemed appropriate. Give maturity dates of "bad debts" and other overdue paper subject to classification.

Maker, indorser, and security Amount	Overdue			Slow	Doubtful
	Due date	Class "A"	Class "B"		
TOTAL,					

Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

March 30th 1.

Sir,

I had hoped to have answered to-day your letter of the 27th inst, submitting the purchase of acids for the use of the Mint; but as some of the statistics, which I am desirous of presenting to you, have not been arranged, I must claim your indulgence until Monday.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
Your faithful servant,
James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Salmon P. Chase
Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City.

To
The Sec Treasury

Ask indulgence
until Monday
to reply to letter
respecting supply
of acids
March 30, 1861

Treasury Department
March 31 1841

Sir

Your letter of March 29th has been received, together with additional proofs of the loss (by theft or otherwise,) of a mutilated certificate given by the Branch Mint at San Francisco to Bernard McGill.

As the proof of the loss is satisfactory, you are hereby authorized to direct the Treasurer of the Branch Mint at San Francisco, to pay to McGill, or his Executors, the value of the bullion deposited by him, he or they giving the usual bond of indemnity, with approved securities.

Very Respectfully
[signature]

Sec. of Treasury.

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R. M. Snowden Esqr
Director of the U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

P. S. The documents relating to the case of the McGill are herewith returned.

Treasury Department

April 1, 1861

Sir

Your letter of March 29th has been received, together with the documents relating to the claim of the Administrator of the late Elisha E. Barber, to receive from the Branch Mint at San Francisco, the proceeds of a deposit of bullion made by said E. Barber on the 5th day of October 1860.

All the conditions set forth in the back of the bond, do not appear to have been complied with. There is no evidence that advertisement was made three times in some paper published in San Francisco, and also in one published in the county in which the loss occurred. It is expressly declared "that the bond and affidavit properly executed, with a copy of such paper containing the advertisement be presented at the Branch Mint, when the value of the lost receipt will be paid to the owner or his order."

Besides this, it would seem proper, as you say, "that the Administrator should make an affidavit that he has made diligent search for the paper and that it cannot be found. And, also, that there should be a

testification from the proper authority that Mr Spinks
is the administrator of the estate of E. Barber"

The documents relating to the case are herewith returned.

Very respectfully

S P Chase

Secretary of the Treasury.

To

J. R. Snowden Esqr

Director of the U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

From
The Sec Treasury

Authority Payment
of last Mint
Receipt in case
of Bernard McGill &
Administrator of
E. Baxter deceased
April 4. 1861.

14 Washington Place

New York March 26

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Col - J. R. Snowden

Dear Sir

I see by the news-

papers, that you have

got up a cabinet

of Washington coins

& medals -, also one

of the inaugurations of

the cabinet

I would be glad to

know what coins

and medals, you

have for sale, & your

private terms, and

if the U. S. Mint -

with the prices -

if a published Catalogue

a note, with, of
course, may be with
please let me
hear from you
your convenience
and much
obliged
Yours very truly
Augusta Ward

Rec'd to
Amy A Ward
N York

As to National
Medals &

March 30, 1861.

Circular Sent

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 30 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the recipt of $ 462,307.23 in a/c of Gold invoices N° 61. 62. and $ 10,084.21 in a/c of Silver N° 54 + 57.

I also enclose Express Comp's recipt + statement of Eighteen bars Silver bullion, Nett value $ 45,608.42 payable in Quarter dol. Contains gold $ 2,465.44 not payable in dbl. ea.

Very Respectfully

John J. Cisco

Treasurer

W. Walton Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Office of Bauendahl & Co. Importers.
No 198 Fulton Street.
New York March 29 1861

Mr. James R. Snowden
Director of U S Mint
Phila

Dear Sir.

Referring to our letter of
26th inst. You will please
deliver the certificates and
proceeds of the £40000.—
(Forty Thousand Pounds) &
against our written order
to our Agents in Philadelphia
— Messrs Krische & Allemann —
and much oblige Yours
very respectfully
Bauendahl & Co

Office of Bauendahl & Co. Importers.

No 198 Fulton Street.

New York March 26 1861

To the Director of the

United States Mint

Philadelphia

Sir

We forward to day by Adams Express Eight boxes, Btc 1/8. containing 40.000 Sovereigns, for which you will please send us, by return mail, mint certificates of each 10.000 Sovereigns and at the same time inform us or our agents in Philadelphia, Mssrs Brische & Ulberman when we may expect the United States Coin for the same

Very Respectfully Your

Bauendahl & Co

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From
Bauendahl & Co
N.Y.

Deposit
40 000 Sovereigns

March 28. 1861

Cent Coinage.
In exchange for Cents

ARAMINGO CHEMICAL WORKS.

Philadelphia, March 29 1861.

United States Mint

Bought of **MORO PHILLIPS,**

No. 27 North Front Street,

MANUFACTURER OF

Oil of Vitriol, Aqua Fortis, Nitric and Muriatic Acids, Copperas, Blue Vitriol, Nitrate of Lead.

March 25 1027/12 lbs - 88 1/2 % = 909/3 lbs.
Pure Nickel @ 1 3 7/12 $ 1250 33

Correct
Ja & C Booth
M & R

Rec'd Payment
Moro Phillips

(44)

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United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 29. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $503,231.97 in Gold Coins, and $25,271.99 in Silver for a/c of invoices N° 55. 57. 59. 61.

I enclose the Exp.s Company's receipts and Statements 69. 70. of the net value of $652,088.51 payable in dbl. ea.

Very Resp.y

Wm. J. Cisco
Treasurer

J. H. Watson Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Invoice, No. 10

Statement of Fine Gold Bars

transmitted to U. S. Mint, for Coinage, pursuant to Act of March, 1855, by John J. Cisco. Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, New York.

Date March. 29 1861 Four Boxes, Nos. I a IV.

Bars.	Numbers.	Fineness.	Gross Weight. Ounces.	Gross Weight. Dec.	Standard Weight. Ounces.	Standard Weight. Dec.	Value. Dollars.	Value. Cts.
37	1580 @ 1616	992	9138	69	10072	867	187402	18
					Less Coinage 1/2%		937	01
					Net Value		$186465	17

Royal Hotel,
Ref. 186,465
Rec. 30 March 1861.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 28th 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 30,677.21 for invoices Nos 48 & 53

Enclosed you have receipt of the Adams Expess Co and statement of fifteen boxes deposit gold, of the net value of $595,562.53 payable in dbl. ea.

I will thank you to include in your next remittance of gold, if possible $ 100 000. in eagles

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Dick
Treasurer

J H Walton Esq
Treas' U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

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TOTAL,					

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From L.

Dr P. O. Vanderchys

Prof. Dresden

Saxony

In relation to Exchange

of Botanical Medals

&c

March 28. 1861.

Leyden 19 January 1861.

(Netherlands)

Sir,

In the year 1855 you had the kindness to give some copies of coins [among between them also proofs] of the cent to the Embassador of my country for the Numismatic Cabinet of the Leyden University. I beg to ask at present of the same kindness copies of the cent and half cent (years 1856 — 1861) in duplo.

We have here medals of great beauty, which I could send to the Mint of the U. S. if you would procure me some American medals

My sister Widow of the Revd Storm, of the Netherlands, who is travelling the last five years through the U. S. has written me that she had seen in the Mint of Philadelphia very fine medals struck by order of the Government and that I must propose to you a change

We have here among others a medal struck in 1829 when Great-Brittain and the U. S. of America were in contest over the limits between Canada and the U. S. The medal is in commemoration that our King was chose Arbiter in that matter.

Farther we have medals on the statues of William of Orange — Nassau, the founder of our liberty — erected at the Hague, on Costers the first typograph — at Haarlem; on the famous painter Rembrandt; — statue at Amsterdam &c &c

Also medals in silver, struck in 1781 when the U. S. of the Netherlands declared the 13 States of N. America a free people &c

I assure you that if we receive of your beautiful American medals for the collection of our University, I will send immediately

what you should Voice of the named medalls.

You could send the American medals either to Mr Roest van Limburg, our Embassador or Minister Plenipotentiary at Washington I for the University of Leyden or to Mrs the Widow Storm of the Netherlands care of Messrs Schuckhardt and Gebhardt Bankers N York city

I pray you Sir do what you can for the oldest and most renowned University of the Netherlands. With the highest respects

Your most humble Servant
Dr. P.C. van der Chijs
Prof at the University
and Director of its Numismatic Collection.

To the Director of the Mint
of the United States of America

Philadelphia.

Geo: Van Deusen
919 South 15th Street.

March 28. 61.

Dr. P. O. van der Chijs Prof. Dordon.

Dear Sir — &c. &c.

I have received your letter of the 19th of January last. I am now making arrangements to strike copies of the National and Public medals from the dies which are in the Mint; when this is accomplished I will place a list of them in the hands of Jan Correspondent here, Mr. Van Deurs, to be forwarded to you.

I will be happy to make a distribution of exchange for the interesting medals named in your letter.

I am with great esteem

Your Dr. Servant.

James Ross Snowden

Director of the Mint.

Baltimore March 27. 1861

To the
Treasurer of U S Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir. We send to day by Adams Express. as pr receipt Enclosed One Box containing Nine hundred & ten Bolivian Dollars., which please Re coin & return to us in American Silver Coin by Adams Express. or advise us in relation thereto

Yrs very respectfully
Jas Conner & Sons

Return in 203 Mails.

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Jas. Comer Esq
Baltimore

Mar 27/61

Rec'd Mar 28

Washington City D.C.
March 27th, 1861

Dear Sir — Mr. Benj. Perley Poor, Secretary of the United States Agricultural Society informs me that certain gold medals ordered by said Society are being made at the Mint. I have an order for one, awarded to a neighbor of mine for the best Separator and Thresh-ing Machine, at the last Fair. Will you inform me when it can be had, and much oblige

Respectfully

D. P. Holloway

From Do
D. P. Holloway
Washington City

In relation to
Iowa Medal

from U. S. Asst
Sec,

March
April 2. 1861,

April 2, 61

Dear Sir

I have received your letter of the 27th ult.

There are no medals being made here at the present time for the U. S. Agricultural Society. The last medals ordered were completed and delivered to Mr John McGowan, some weeks since.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obt Servt
Director of the Mint

To
J. R. Holloway Esq
Washington City
D. C.

Post Office Derby Ct.
March 27th 1861

To the Superintendent
of the U. S. A. Mint

Sir. Some time since I saw a notice in public print, that Old Cents. if sent by Adams & Co Express to the Mint. would be exchanged for the present issue or small Cents, and the Express charges paid — Please — inform me if such is the case, and if so, what is the proper direction to be put on the box or bag in which they are sent —

Yours Respectfully
D. G. T. Birdsey
P. M.

From
D. G. Rudsay
Derby
Conn,

Exchange
Accident
March 30 1861

Circular
Sent in reply

Schenectady March 27. 1861

Mr James R Snowden

Dear Sir

Will you be so kind as to inform me. If I was to send any old Pennies to the mint. If you would send me a few half cents in return and the rest in Nickel Cents. Enclosed is Stamp to Pay return Postage

Yours Truly
Seth. L. Clute

Brucean Sent
March 27, 1861

From
Seth L Chute
Schenectady
N.Y.

Explanation
of Cards

March 30. 1861

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 26. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 10,646.63 in gold and Silver Coins, in payment of invoice № 51.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Dick
Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 27 1861

Sir

I am in receipt of $ 370,562.87 in gold, and $ 21,137.41 in Silver, on a/c of unpaid invoices

Very Respectfully

Wm J Cisco

Treasurer.

J H Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Roxbury Mass. Mar 26th 1861

Col. James Ross Snowden.
Philadelphia. Pa.

Dear Sir.

I have in my possession a Medallion 6 5/8 inches in diameter of Washington in perfect preservation but evidently old. The likeness is I think very striking and the work is quite artistically executed. Of its history I know nothing but having never seen or heard of a similar one. I have no doubt it is rare and valuable. If the Washington Cabinet has not a similar specimen this ought to be there. I do not feel cash I desirous to sell the Cabinet but if it is really of value would be glad to part with it in exchange for other pieces.

I learn that the National Medals are being restruck at the Mint. May I presume to ask how nearly complete the series will be. If they will be offered for sale would you let me know at what price? I omitted to mention that I think my Medallion is in bell Metal.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully &
W. Elliot Woodward.

Excuse Haste & Explanatory Note

From
W. Elliott Woodward
Roxbury
Mass

In relation to Capt
Medal now in
Washington in
his possession

March 30. 1861

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 25th 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 372,379.63 in Gold Coins for invoice No. 56.

Enclosed you have receipt of the Adams Express Company one Statement of Ten boxes Silver Bullion of the net value of $ 24,820.12 payable in half dols $ 12000. in Quars $ 12,820.12 Gold Contained therein $ 1470.49 payable in dbl. ea.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Cisco

Treasurer

To W. Wharton Esq

Treas. U. S. Mint

Wagontown Nov. 25th 1861

James R Snowden

Do Sir

By answering the following questions you will confer a favor that will be long remembered and gratefully acknowledged

1st How much is a Spanish Dollar worth at the Mint

2nd How much more than a Dollar of the present coinage will a Spanish Dollar make, what fraction of a Dollar more

3rd How much more alloy is used at present in our coin than was used before 1853.

I have been collecting coin

for two years, and I request by you to conversation with person in regard to Coins. While in conversation the other evening with a certain person it was asserted that a Spanish Dollars ~~it~~ would make, that is, contained enough Silver to make two Dollars of our present Coin. I did not credit the assertion but could not tell how much of ~~the~~ our present Coin a Spanish Dollar would make and therefore ask you for the information by giving it you will greatly

oblige Yours &c
Thos. H. Windle
Wagontown Pa

P.S. I understand you have issued a work on Coins. What is the price of it? Where can obtain a copy?

T. H. W.

From To
Thos H Hindle
Hagerstown
Md

Uncle Thomas
Shamokin Dodge
March 30, 1861

March 30. 1.

Dear Sir.

I have received your letter of the 25th inst.

The legal weight of the Spanish dollar is 417 15/17 grains; the usual full weight 416½; the usual weight as they are now found, 412 to 414 grains.

The legal fineness of the Spanish dollar is 902 7/9 thousandths; the actual fineness 898 to 900. The present average value at 121 cents per oz, the Mint price for silver, is 104 cents.

There is no more alloy in the present silver coins of the U. S. than in those coined prior to 1853. In the year past Congress reduced the weight of the silver coins, of less denomination than the dollar, was reduced but the fineness was not changed as is often supposed.

Very Respectfully,
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint

D. H. Windle Esq
Masontown Pa

Carbondale. March 24-18.61

Mr Waller Sir

I am very anxious for a situation where I can earn enough to support myself; I have heard that you employ quite a number of girls and I thought perhaps I might obtain one by applying to you. if you wish to hire it would be a very great favor if you will give me a place. I can give you the best of references if you desire for I have always held a respectable place in society and never until now have been obliged to ask such a favor: I hope that you will if possible comply with my request. if you conclude to do so I will be ready at any time you may name please respond

immediately and if you wish to employ me please give the price of board; what wages you give &c

Very Respectfully

Emma S Wells

Carbondale

Luzerne Co

Penna

From
Emma Shelly
Carbondale
Pa

Desires a
Situation in
the Mint

Mar 28, 1861

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 23 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $9,000 in Silver Coins for a/c of invoice No 48.

Enclosed you have receipt of the Adams Expres Company, and Statement of five boxes fine gold bars, of the net value of $188,211.72 for which please remit duplicate.

Very Respectfully

J W Watson Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Jno J Cisco
Treasurer

March 23d 1.

Sir,

In compliance with the wishes of the Department I have prepared, and herewith transmit, a set of the Danish Coins (and the Cent) of the United States to be placed in the hands of W. Raasloff Esqr, Chargè d'affaires to the United States from Denmark.

If it is desired by the Department, that honorarium, to make any reference to the Coins of Denmark, which were sent to the Mint by the Minister from that Kingdom, I would refer to my letter of the 13th. April last in which the Contribution was acknowledged.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
Your faithful obedient
servant

Hon. Salmon P. Chase Samuel Ross McCulloch.
Secretary of the Treasury Director of the Mint.
Washington City.

To
The Sec Treasury

Forwarding a set of
Silver Cent Coins
for presentation
to the King of
Denmark,

March 23, 1861.

Examiner should advise branch interest on demand or time loans should be collected at least every six months; and that mere payment of interest is not considered a renewal formal extension agreement is signed by all parties or the laws of the State provide otherwise. A new note, if practicable, at each maturity date is preferable.

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TOTAL,					

Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

Boston March 23/61

Jas. R. Snowden Esq.

Dear Sir,

Herewith I send to you by Adams Express, a box containing 33 medals, to be bronzed.

Please give your earliest possible attention to the matter & oblige

Yours truly

Company Printer, Jr.

M. C. M. & Son

by Geo. B. Hanover

From
Dwight Rowley Esq
Boston
Mass
Sending Medals
to be returned
March 26. 1861.

New York March 22d/61

Col. Snowden:

Dear Sir & Bro:

Please send to my address to the care of C. B. Richardson, No 14 Bible House New York

Three Copies of Washington and National Medals, with bill to collect on delivery—$9.00. Please send by fast Express.

Yours Truly &c
S. Snowden

3 Copies Sent
Mar 30. 1861

From
S. Hayden
N.Y.

3 copies Medal
Book Requested
& sent Mills Bill
to D.C.
Mar 30, 1861.

United States Assay Office,

New York Mar. 22, 1861.

Sir,

Having referred to our Melter & Refiner your letter of the 16th inst., suggesting the expediency of refining here the silver containing gold purchased or deposited at this Office, I now submit the following memorandum of Mr. Kent on the subject.

"In all cases where we have used deposit-silver containing gold in our regular refining operations, it has caused trouble by making the fine gold brittle, even when such silver constituted but a small portion of the silver used, the larger part being fine silver. When complaints from the Mint of the brittleness of fine gold from this Office were received, the cause was traced to the use of such silver in granulating. In my judgment, therefore, such silver should be subjected to a "special treatment", but whether this shall be done at the Mint or Assay Office is for the Director to decide".

Mr. Kent's concluding remark is made in accordance with the understanding uniformly

held by this Office that, in the absence of specific instructions, we have no authority to refine on silver "purchases". In respect to such silver we are acting as the agent of the Mint, & we perform the operations of melting & assaying only because these are essential to determine the value.

I see no reason, however, why the refining of this goldy silver should not be performed here if you desire it; & should you decide to establish such a regulation for the future I will give the necessary instructions.

I have called the attention of our Assayer to that part of your letter which relates to the omission of the toughening charge. He informs me that this omission has in no case been intentional, & that he will see that the charge is uniformly made in future.

Very respectfully,
your obt. Servt
Sam'l. Ballenstedt
Supt

Hon. J. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint
Philad'a.

From
Supt U. S. Assay Office
New York

As to opening
Scotch Sluice
upon any change
for Longevity

March 23. 1861,

Examiner should advise branch interest on demand or time loans should be collected at least every six months; and that mere payment of interest is not considered a renewal formal extension agreement is signed by all parties or the laws of the State provide otherwise. A new note, if practicable, at each maturity date is preferable.

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March 22d 1.

Sir:

I have to request that you will cause to be issued in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, a draft for the sum of Thirty two thousand, Seven hundred and Seventy five dollars, payable out of the Appropriation for the Support of this institution for the current Quarter of the present fiscal year. viz.

For Salaries of Officers & Clerks	$11,025.
" Wages of Workmen & Watchmen	6,750.
" Incidental & Contingent Expenses	7,500.
" Freight on Metals	1,250.
" Coal & Materials	300. $32,775.

I am the Same to be,
With great respect:
Your faithful Servant:
Eaun Ross Snowden.
Director.

Hon. S. P. Chase,
Sec. of Treasury,
Washington, D.C.

To Sec Treasury

Requisition in favor of the Treas. Mint for $32.775-

March 22. 1861

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York, March 22. 1861.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge receipt of $21.106.14 in Silver coins on account of unpaid invoices —

Enclosed you have two receipts of the Adams Express Co. — No. 64 for $314.669.57 and No. 65 for $268.913.99 being amounts of the accompanying invoices for which please remit double eagles. —

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
John J. Cisco
Treasurer.

A. G. Watts Esq.
Treas. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

OFFICE OF SMITH & PERKINS,

Rochester, N. Y., March 21 1861

James Rop. Snowden Esq
Phila Penn Dept

Are you delivering "proof sets of silver coins & cent for 1861 yet? If you are, could you send several sets, to one address? The object in getting them this way, is to save express charges. Reply at your convenience, will enclose a quarter on sent very respy

J. W. Baldwin
Drawer 13.

(We should probably want 10 sets)

Circular with
Explanatory note
Sent March 29. 1861

From
Smith & Perkins
Rochester
N.Y.

Root — Com'r's 1861

March 30. 1861.

Hall of Maryland Inst.
Balt: March 21. 1861

Hon J. R. Snowden
Director of Mint
D. Sir

Please have made for us as soon as you can - three Silver Medals from our large die - and send them by express,

I send herein $10.50 to pay for same -

we thought we had enough but find we need the above number

Very respy
Your obt. Svt.
John S. Selby
Secretary

order pleased in Engravers
Room March 26. 1861

Treas Dept
Sec Treasury

March 26. 61

Dear Sir.

I have received your letter of the 21st inst with the enclosure stated.

The Medals you request will be prepared & forwarded in about ten days.

Very Respectfully,
Saml Ros Knowden.
Director of the Mint

John L. Selby Esq
Actuary. Maryland Institute
Baltimore
Md.

From Do.

John A Selby Esq
Act. Mus Dept.

Funds Requested
$10.50 enclosed

March 26. 1861.

2 glass retorts.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 20 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 9.652.85 in Silver for a/c of invoices N° 29 and 30.

I also enclose receipts of the Adams Express Company, and statements N° 61, 62. eight boxes of the former, net value $ 308,760.29 and nine boxes of the latter, net value $ 362,307.23 payable in dbl. ea.

Very Respectfully

J. W. Tratton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. Dick
Treasurer

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York, March 21st 1861

Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $308.189.11 in Gold coins for a/c of invoices No 47 and 49. and $7.229.06 in Silver Coins on No. 29.

Enclosed you have receipt of the Adams Express Company. and statement of Twenty boxes Deposit Gold. of the net value of $946.456.54 for which please remit double ea.

Very Respectfully

J. W. Dodge

Treasurer.

J. C. Walton Esq.
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treasury Department
March 20. 1861

Sir,

Your letter of the 18th instant, transmitting, for the use of this Department, a copy of a work on "Coins", and one on the "Medallic Memorials of Washington", has been received, and it gives me pleasure to thank you, in the name of the Secretary of the Treasury, for the presentation of these valuable books, which will be placed in the Library of the Department.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Sert,
Geo Harrington
Assistant Secretary

J. Ross Snowden, Esq,
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia

From
Gov Harrington
Ass't Sec Treasury

Ack. with thanks
of the Sept.
copies of my
Book on Coins
& on Medallic
Memorials of
Washington

March 23, 1861

Address Box 2419 Post Office.

Office of Webster & Craig

No. 29 Nassau Street.

New York 19 Mar 1861

Dear Sir.

Many thanks for your prompt reply to my long letter, and for the copy of the Mint Pamphlet.

The precise thing which perplexes me is to ascertain what coin is referred to and described by the phrase 'Spanish Dollar' as used in Consular regulations, and in the form prescribed by the Government for consular certificate to value of depreciated currency.

In the instructions issued by the Secretary of the Treasury — Mr Dugham — in May 1831 — he said, after allusion to the manner in which depreciated currencies were estimated at the Custom Houses;

"To avoid such discrepancies, and [illegible] in future,

From Wm

Sidney Webster

N.Y.

In relation to

Spanish Silver

Dollar

April 4. 1861.

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
March 18th 1861

James H Walton Esqr
Treas U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

Your Bullion
account for the 4th quarter 1860 is
received

Very Respectfully

S. L. Simms
Auditor

F. L. Smith

1st Auditor

Washington

Mar 18/61

Rec'd Mar. 19

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 18. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 332,171.26 in Gold Coins for a/c of invoices N°. 46 & 47.

Enclosed you have receipt of the Adams Express Comp'y and Statement of Nine boxes Silver bullion of the net value of $ 22,283.82 for which please remit Half dollars; Containing Gold $ 528.80 not payable in dbl. eagles.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Walton Esq
Superintendent U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. Wise
Treasurer

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Mint of the U. States.
Philad.a March 8. 1841.

My dear Sir,

Retaining a pleasant recollection of our former official intercourse I am happy to write that you are again in the Treasury Department.

I have recently published a work on Coins; and one on the Medallic Memorials of Washington &c. A copy of each of these books I have this day forwarded from the care of the Postmaster; and trust Mr. Hauk Jr. to place them on the table of the Secretary of the Treasury.

I am very respectfully
Your truly
Sam.l Ros. Mcculloh.

Hon. Levi Woodbury
Secr. Dep. of the Treasury
Washington City.

From D.

Amlyer Harrington

Asst. Sec Treasury

Reserving for
use of the Department
copy of Comt
Medical Book

March 18, 1861.

Mint of the United States

Sir, Philadelphia 16 Mar. 1861

The Melter & Refiner makes a suggestion in regard to silver containing gold, received at the Assay Office, which, if adopted by you, will facilitate returns from the Mint. He proposes that such silver, instead of being sent here unparted, should be separated in your refinery. The silver would be as convenient for granulating with gold as fine silver, and the gold contained in it would consequently be secured, without ~~additional~~ expense, though the ordinary process of parting silvery gold. at the Mint, in consequence of our small receipts of silvery gold we have to part goldish silver by a special treatment and at large expense, involving much delay.

I call your attention also to the fact that your Invoices rarely report charges for toughening on gold or silver unfit for coinage. To illustrate, No. 287, on Francs No. 84 was entirely unsuitable for melting into ingots without special toughening, on which the charge by the tariff should be ½ a cent per ounce. If you fail to make such a charge to the depositor (as I infer

from the Invoice) depositors will infer that there are different rates of charge as between the Assay Office and the Mint; ~~&~~ since such charges are uniformly ~~levied~~ here.

Very respectfully,
Saml Ross Chandler.
Director

S. F. Butterworth, Esq
Supt.
U.S. Assay Office
Newyork.

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Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, 186

To
The Supt U. States Assay Office
N.Y.

In relation to parting
Silver from Gold
deposits & making
charge for
Refining &

March 18, 1861.

Treasury Department
March 16th 1861

Sir

I herewith enclose a letter received to day from Messrs Fera & Ledgate of New York in regard to the delays in receiving coin for the bullion sent to the Mint for coinage.

I will thank you to return this letter with such explanation in regard to the statements therein as you may think proper.

Very respectfully
Your obed't Ser't
S P Chase
Secretary of Treasury

J. Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Phila

From D. G.
The Sec. Treasury
Washington City

In relation to
complaint made by
Trevor & Colgate
N.Y. respecting
delays in
receiving payment
for deposits of
Silver
March 20. 1861

Mint of the United States

Sir, Philada 20 mar 1860

I have the honor to acknowledge your communication of the 16th inst. (received today) enclosing a letter from Trevor & Colgate complaining that preferences are given by the Mint to Philadelphia depositors over those from Newyork, and asking you to rectify the evil by an order that each depositor shall be satisfied in turn, the Newyork assay office being entitled as any other depositor.

In reply I have to report to the Department that no preferences are given such as are alleged, and that the Mint rule on the subject of payments is precisely that which you are requested to order. Whenever it is practicable, priority of payment follows priority of deposit, and in this respect deposits sent by the Assay Office are treated as those by private parties.

I have said 'whenever it is practicable' such is the rule, and it is proper that I should explain what is meant by this qualification.

Depositors frequently demand payment of their deposits in a particular denomination of coin, which is

is not on hand in the Treasury, nor in course of manufacture. In such case, the Mint is compelled to make special melts and coinage for this particular denomination, involving (in small coin, as dimes or 5 cents) considerable delay. On the other hand it may happen that the Mint has already in the Treasury, or receives in regular course of manufacture, other coins which are perfectly satisfactory for the payment of posterior depositors. Shall these latter depositors be kept unsatisfied, although we have coin on hand, until we are able to make the particular denomination required by a previous depositor? To take an illustration from yesterdays experience. The highest individual deposit of silver coin paid by us is $1.00. But in the same package the Chief Cashier found some Dollars. The only coin deposit for dollars was $1.00, received from the Assay Office New York. Should we have declined to pay this deposit because of the appearance of practically $1 02 & 99. The fact being that there were not coins on hand in sufficient denominations in one package for the payment of those numbers, while there were such as sufficient for the payment of $1.00 In deciding this question it appears to me there should

no hesitation in adopting the rule dictated by common sense, and accordingly the later deposit was paid.

Except in such cases as that indicated there is no variation from the rule of priority of payment according to priority of deposit. If all deposits were made payable in but one denomination of coin no apparent exception even could occur. For gold deposits (which are generally for small sums) we are enabled to follow the rule with entire closeness, notwithstanding a contrary intimation of Messrs Beers & Colgate.

It is appropriate to add that the business of the Mint is necessarily conducted to extreme disadvantage in consequence of our entirely inadequate Bullion Fund, or Government deposit, with a sufficient capital to supply us, in anticipation, with a stock gained of the different denominations we could promptly meet the wants of depositors and the public without annoying delays. With our present means we can only coin the bullion as it is brought to us. We have no means of providing coins, to an adequate extent in anticipation of the public demands.

L. R. E.

'copy'

Specie, Bullion and exchange Office
of
Trevor & Colgate, 47 Wall St. New York. 15th March. 1861

Hon Salmon P Chase
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington—

Dear Sir

It is unpleasant to make complaints but we would respectfully call your attention to the irregulations of the Philadelphia Mint which results greatly to the prejudice of the New York Depositors—

We have now receipts for Silver deposited for coinage in the New York Assay Office in January last, unsatisfied.— The Silver was refined & Sent to Philadelphia soon after its deposit in New York & for which we can as yet receive no returns— The reply from Mr Snowden is that it is sent as fast as coined— The complaint is, that Parties, who make their deposits in Philadelphia, receive their returns in 8 to 10 days while those who deposit in New York cannot get theirs under six weeks- This custom has become so generale, that parties send from New York &

deposit in Phila' for quick returns, incurring all expenses of transportation, rather than suffer delay by depositing here - The fault does not lie here - The Silver goes to Phila' promptly from our Assay Office, but the director discriminates in favor of Phila depositors, & that from the Silver furnished by New York Depositors. The same complaint is good in regard to gold.

We would not make these complaints were it not a serious inconvenience to us in our business being the second if not the largest depositors of Bullion for coinage in the States.

Trusting that you will rectify this evil, by an order that each depositor shall be satisfied in turn. The New York Assay office being considered as any other depositor. — Trusting we shall have a remedy in this matter shortly We are respectfully yours

(Signed) Trevor & Colgate

P. S. These complaints are not of recent date & a change in that department can be no damage to the public interest

No 53 Indian Wharf
Boston March 16th 1841

James Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

Your favour of the 13th inst with enclosure came duly to hand - please accept our thanks for your kindness in the answers given to our enquiries - it enables us to make a calculation - and explanation to our Chile friends who remit us the Bar Silver -

We Remain dear Sir
Your friends true
Samuel D Crane & Co

Messrs
Sam.l D. Grant & Co
Boston

ack.t My letter
asking information
in relation to
Salem Bars

March 18, 1861.

Chief Couriers Office

Mch 16. 1861

To Honble J Ross Snowden

Director

In view of the increase of silver workings in this department, during the present month, I would respectfully recommend that Mr Lambert's dismissal take effect on Saturday, the 30th inst; instead of to day, as indicated in your letter of dismissal —

Respy

Geo F Childs

Chief Courier

Approved

J. R. S.

Hon.
Chief Coiner
U. S. Mint

Suspect that
Mr Lambats
dismissal
to take effect
on 30th inst
instead of to day
Approved
March 16, 1861

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

Oct 15. 1861

Sir

I herewith enclose receipt of the Adams Express Co and Statement of seven boxes of fine gold bars, of the net value of $ 370,562.87 for which please remit dbl. cal.

In consequence of the increase of Silver deposits, I shall probably find it necessary to transmit further invoices of Silver bullion and I will thank you to remit on a/c of the same all the Silver Coins practicable, as sent to me ordered, in ½ d. d. & quar.s

Very Respy

Wm. J. Cisco

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

LEONARD DOBBS

New York, 15 Mar 1861

James Ross Snowden Esq
Phila

Dr Sir

I am in manufacture and sale of all kinds copper Ingots copper Sheets Strips Bars &c &c and address You personally not knowing the disposition of the contracts for Supplies - to know who and where this article is supplied by - having it at all times on Sale

Yours respectfully

Lemuel Dobbs

From
Lemuel Dodds
N.Y.

Copper Strips
to for Sale

March 18, 1861.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 16. 1861

Sir

I herewith enclose receipt of the Adams Express Company, one statement of three boxes deposit gold, of the net value of $ 394,471.68 for which please remit dbl. ea.

Very Respectfully

Wm J. Wise

Treasurer

J H Thomas Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Mobile [illegible] March 15. 1.

I beg you will excuse me for not writing to you sooner on the subject of our Correspondence, as several circumstances have united to prevent my doing so until this day.

I find we have never made any agreement or Examination what Quantity of the Cattle purchased of Ford and Eaton we should be entitled to - I will be glad to take steps to procure for you a Settlement of Ford and Eaton by Examination if you will indicate the Mode and the Judge. Our Boundary has been fixed at 31° on high water mark 31° 00 thousandths. Our Legislature adjourned on the 1st Instant.

Referring to your remarks respecting Examinations I have to state that at the sale in this city by Order of P. Van Dyke & Co's. property [illegible]

I am much obliged :

I enclose a copy of Mr Paynes description of his "new way & cartridges". I do not however consider the description I send you as sufficiently complete & explicit. I would gladly furnish this subject to the attention of the Department & the making of such experiments as might test its merits.

I am, with great respect
Your obt. Servant.
James Ross Snowden
Lieut Col. of the Mint

Col. Craig.
U.S.A.
Ordnance Bureau.
Washington City.

Fig 6. Represents the [illegible]
with the metal in it, ready for [illegible]
the wrought iron mould; d, is the cast [illegible]
e is the mandril, made out of cast steel, and [illegible]
finely finished, but not hardened, f. a rod [illegible]
the purpose, to give resistance, to the bottom [illegible]
g, g, g, are screws, through which the impression
are made.

The metal consist of 10 parts of copper [illegible]
one part of tin. The process of making the [illegible]
is: the cannon has to be cast of the above [illegible]
mixture, with hole in it, after it has cooled
off, it has to be carefully [illegible] and
afterwards with a combination of nitric and
sulphuric acid, composed [illegible] parts
the mandril (e) has to be inserted, but in the
the bottom piece (d.) of the [illegible] which
is heated, to a dark red heat, and the screws
put in motion, till the whole length of the
cast one sixth, and in thickness so much that
the wrought iron mould and fitting the
after cooling of, it is only necessary, to [illegible]
the inside, which is exactly so fine as the
inserted mandril. The outside requires a
little work, according to the more or less

finished state of the moulds, with the exception of the cutting of the end pieces (a & f).
Any Cannon, Breech loading, Rifle Cannon or smooth boring, can be made, with the same effect.

The other improvement is, that the inside of the Cannon, where the ball moves, could be made nearly glass hard, by putting a coat of tin, or oil, and give it a second heat with pressing. And by this improved method, any old Cannon, may be new bored, and rendered effective, by the above process.

It is of much importance that the tin, in the chamber of the Cannon should be uniformly spread there, so that there would not be a greater proportion at one place than another. If I have fully explained this point and can be of any other assistance, to effect the object desired.

Wm Reed

Philadelphia November 10th 1860.

A new way to cast metal Cannons

Fig. 1. Represents one of the two wrought Iron Moulds, in which the Cannon is to be poured, a, a, a, a, are the holes, which correspond exactly with 4 pins in the other half, to prevent the mould from moving. The whole length of the Cannon is only drawn to 6 ft, but to give the required body for boring, it is necessary to have the additional portion of metal.

Fig. 2 Shews the two moulds together (as in use) a, a, are the 4 pins, c, is the metal Cannon, b, b, the original shape.

Fig. 3 Shews the cross section of the metal Cannon which is not round but oval, with a round hole in the centre, a trifle larger than the calibre, to which the Cannon is intended.

To
Col Craig
U. S. Army
Ordnance Bureau
Washington City

Mode of casting
Cannon 12

March 15, 1861.

83 Aleeker St N.Y.
Sept 14th 1861.

J R Snowden Esq

Dear Sir

Will you please
inform me if I can
purchase of you some of
the Orange Medals that have
been struck at the Mint
which is described in your
work - if so please give
me the Price of them
Will you not oblige me
either of the works at all
& Price them. I have for
them; Have you the Washington
Medal (original) that was
cut by Wright & Dale N.Y.
I do not see it described
Please Answer at your
Earliest convenience

Yours Truly

From
Edwin R. Curtis
N. Y.

Washington
Medals

March 18. 1861

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 14. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $285,402.59 in gold Coins for a/c of invoices N° 46 and 42

Enclosed you have Express Comp's receipt & Statement of nine boxes Silver bullion, of the net value of $26,182.88 for which please remit in dimes $13,000 in ½ dimes $13,182.88

Very Respectfully

Wm J Wo

Treasurer

D N Walter Esq

Treasurer U S Mint

Philadelphia

Treasury Department
March 13th 1841

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 9th inst I am inclined to acquiesce in your view that as the Danish Government has furnished you with only its silver and bronze coinage, the return of a suite of our silver coins together with the cent, is quite sufficient in the way of acknowledgement, and in fact is all that was probably expected by that Government. You will therefore be pleased to carry out the views suggested in your letter in that particular.

Very respectfully
Your obed Svt

C. S. Bonney

Secretary of the Treasury

R. Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Phila

Hon
Wm L. Dayton
Min France

Secretary of State

Danish Government

to be furnished

with Silver

& Gold Coins

March 14, 1861

Present Compy ARAMINGO CHEMICAL WORKS.

Philadelphia, March 15 1861.

United States Mint

Bought of **MORO PHILLIPS,**

No. 27 North Front Street,

MANUFACTURER OF

Oil of Vitriol, Aqua Fortis, Nitric and Muriatic Acids, Copperas, Blue Vitriol, Nitrate of Lead.

431 lbs	Nickel	a 1 37½	592 62½
10½ "	Copper	a 21 c	220½
			$ 594 83

Correct
John H. Taylor
Asst M R

Re payment.

Mon Phillips

44 1/2

(42)

New York March 13th 1865

U.S. Mint Philadelphia,

Gents,

Please inform us what discount you allow on New cents providing we send you current money we want them in amts from $100.00 to $1000.00 Please direct yr letter to

B Baer
496 Hudson St
N.Y.

P.S. Let us know what funds you want. how to send our money. & who shall pay the expences or freight for transportation of the Pennies

Yours &c
B Baer
496 Hudson St
N.Y.

Answer by return Mail

Circulars Sent.

From
R. Baer Esq
496 Hudson St,
N.Y.

In relation to
new Carts
Circulars
in reply
March 14, 1861.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

52
53
54

New York,

March 13, 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $300,000. in Gold Coins, and $7,000. in Silver dollars on a/c of unpaid invoices.

I also enclose, receipt & Statement No 55. of Fine Silver, Transmitted yesterday. and No 56 of Fine gold bars, in seven boxes of the net value of $312,319.13 for which please remit dbl, ea.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Wise

Treasurer

J. H. Watson Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Treasury of the United States
March 13th 1861

Sir

Our stock of silver change has become so low, that I must ask the favor of you to forward the balance of the Transfer Draft ($3.000) in quarter dollars instead of halves if more convenient early.

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Jno J Crittenden
Acting Treasurer U.S

James H Watton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. B. Randolph
Add. Treas U.S
Washington DC

Rec'd Mar 15/67

Chief Coiner's Office
March 13th 1861

Mon'ble J Ross Snowden
Director

I have to report that on 11th Instant Wm Hiram Lambert workman in the Rolling Room obtained leave of absence alleging sickness. He left the Mint and returned about 4 O'Clock in the afternoon quite intoxicated.

Very Respy
Geo K Childs

To the Chief Coiner

Chief Coiner

Order for discharge of Mr Hiram Lambert. Given by Director March 13, 1861, to be paid up to Saturday 16th.

Chief Coiner's Office

Decr 21st 1860

To Hon'ble J Ross Snowden

Director

I have to report that Hiram Lambert, workman in the Rolling Room, presented himself in the Room yesterday afternoon much intoxicated and unfit for duty

Respy

Geo T Childs

Chief Coiner

From
Chief Comer
U. S. Mint

Reports that
Hiram Lanker
has been several
times in a state
of intoxication
and can not be
discharged

March 13, 1861.

Worcester Mass.
March 13 1861.

Hon. J. R. Swanson.

Dear Sir — Will you do me the favor to state at what time the school medals of which I have written to you can be furnished. The appointed time for the award occurs in a few weeks, and it would greatly favor us if they could be issued at an early day.

Very Truly Yours.
D. A. Goddard.

Item 2d

D. A. Goddard

Worcester

Mass

Proofs will
be ready
by 2d. April

March 18. 1861

March 16 61.

Dear Sir,

In Reply to your Letter of the 13th inst. I have to state that the Medals upon Paper will be prepared by the 25th proximo.

Very Respectfully
S. R. Mercer Clerk
Director of the Mint.

D. A. Goddard Esq.
Worcester,
Mass.

New York 13 March 1861

My dear sir!

I have after some hesitation decided to venture to presume so much upon our acquaintance, and former association in the administration of General Pierce, as to ask your aid in procuring information upon a subject of especial interest to me.

In the instructions issued by the Department of State to American Consuls abroad, the form, prescribed for certificate to value of foreign depreciated currency, says "American or Spanish silver dollars"

The language used by the Dep^t of State would seem to imply - which I think is not true - that the value of the Spanish, and the value of the American silver dollar is the same. Although by the Act of 1792 (Chap. 16. Sec 9. Vol 1. p 248) the value of the American dollar was made the same as that of the Spanish Milled dollar, I suppose that now there is difference in the value of the two. But neither the public laws of the U. S. nor any books within my reach, give me exact information in respect to the following inquiries;

1. What coin is now understood to be designated by the term Spanish silver dollar?

2. What is the difference and value between the Spanish

That the Act of 1843 (vol 5. p 625) provides that Spanish Pillar dollars of not less than $\frac{897}{1000}$ in fineness, and 415 grains weight, shall be of value of one dollar.

(What is difference between value of Spanish Milled, and Spanish Pillar, now, and why; in 1843, was the recurrence to 415 grains weight, instead of 412½, as in 1837?)

That in 1853 (vol 10 p 160) the weight of the American silver half dollar is fixed at 192 grains, which would bring the dollar down to a lower point still, to wit; 384 grains.

Thus we have in 1792 — 416 grains
in 1806 — 415 "
in 1834 — 415 "
in 1837 — 412½ "
in 1843 — 415 "
in 1853 — 384 "

I cannot find in the statutes of the United States any intimation of the basis upon which these changes in weight were made, and no statement of the relation of silver to gold. What was that relation in 1792, and what is it now?

What is the value in American silver dollars of the Spanish Doubloon, and what of the Plata silver dollar of Buenos Ayres?

I have, as you will see, spread before you all the information I have in relation to these various silver coins, and the Spanish Doubloon. Can you aid me by written information, or inform me how and where I can find the books which give the facts I desire to procure? More than all, will you pardon my great

presumption in communicating with you at all, and such great length in respect to these matters which I am sure are to you as familiar as the alphabet!

With great respect,
I am, faithfully
yours

Sidney Webster
No 29 Nassau St
P.O. Box 2419

Col. J. Ross. Snowden
&c &c &c
Philadelphia.

From D.C.

Sidney Webster Esq

New York

In relation to

Value of Spanish

Mella donar &c

March 18, 1861.

Milled Dollar of the Act of 1792 (referred to), and the Spanish Pillar Dollar of the Act of 1843 (5 Vol of Stat. at Large 625)?

3. What is the difference in the value of each of the above Spanish Dollars, and the present American Silver Dollar?

If the value of the present American silver dollar coin has depreciated, in relation to the Spanish Milled Dollar of 1792, (provided that be the dollar coin known as the Spanish Dollar), I presume it has been by reason of the various Acts of Congress passed since 1792, which Act provided that the American silver dollar should "contain 371¼ grains of pure silver, or 416 grains of standard silver."

I find that the Act of

1806. (Vol 2 Stat at Large Ch 22. §1. p 374) provided that "the Spanish Milled Dollar", shall pass current, "at the rate of 100 cents each, the actual weight whereof shall not be less than seventeen pennyweights and seven grains." or 415 grains.

That the Act of 1834 (Vol 4. p 681) provided that the Mexican dollar of not less than 415 grains weight; & fineness of not less than ten ounces and sixteen pennyweights in twelve ounces standard silver, (or $\frac{900}{864}$) shall be one dollar of legal value.

That the Act of 1837 (Vol 5 p 137) fixes the standard of gold and silver coins to be 900 pure metal to 100 of alloy, and the weight of silver dollar to be 412½ grains instead of 416 grains as by Act of 1792. (Why was this change?).

Mint of the United States.
Philad.a March 18. 1861.

Dear Sir,

I respond with great pleasure to your letter of the 13.th inst; but the subject you bring to my attention is one that is free from embarrassment; indeed the questions you propose receive answers according to the purpose you may have in view; which purpose is not stated in your communication.

If you desire that you may have all the laws on that subject in a convenient form, and be relieved from the trouble of examining the Statutes at large, I send you a copy of the [illegible] Certain all the laws relating to that mint. This will enable you to better to perceive their connection and bearing, and perhaps remove some misapprehensions. It is proper to say however,

that the Mint ordinarily keeps for sale
with profit; and for this reason with the
old middle the Law nor the Course
of Trade enables us to state definitely
the value of a perfect Coin as affected
by the Currency. It is true that by
the Act of Feb. 21. 1793, Individuals
may buy and sell silver Coin for
Gold, but such silver Coin are
overvalued by Law, and are a legal
tender only to the amount of five
Dollars.

In respect to the relation of silver
Coin bearing to silver as they
do now actually is supposed to and of
Gold expressed — the Dollar of La Vendée
the date of 1825 — would bring at the
Mint 98 & 99 — and the Dollar of
Mexico Silver Coin, the Dollar of 1825 —
the latter is also scarce here — Mexican Dollars
are tradable, and always 100 & 101
bearable at the same Coin (Spanish silver
Dollar of the same date for in whole
(silver) dollars, the Dollar of 1825

[illegible] 88 & 91 cents, say 89½
damages and the dollar & 18 25 hundredths
damages 100.8 cents subject to a
credit charge of ½ per cent. per annum
the net 89.05 cents and 100.8 cents.
The next finds for Illinois 121 cents
for Maryland cents & do all the rest
but the Colors of forgers are Delaware Ohio
and that in the [illegible] be found as
large 66 of the United Hampshire.

Jones, with great Esteem
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Examiner should advise branch interest on demand or time loans should be collected at least every six months; and that mere payment of interest is not considered a renewal formal extension agreement is signed by all parties or the laws of the State provide otherwise. A new note, if practicable, at each maturity date is preferable.
* Include in "bad debts" only those bonds which have reached actual maturity dates, and otherwise come within the definition of a statutory bad debt.

SLOW AND DOUBTFUL PAPER AND LOSSES ON LOANS

List here all paper, including overdue paper, called for by this schedule. State briefly in each case the reason for the classification, and suc ment as may be deemed appropriate. Give maturity dates of "bad debts" and other overdue paper subject to classification.

Maker, indorser, and security Amount	Overdue			Slow	Doubtful
	Due date	Class "A"	Class "B"		
TOTAL,					

Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

March 13. 1.

Sir.

I transmit with my approval a requisition, from the Superintendent, of the Assay Office, at New York, for Twenty Thousand Dollars, payable out of the balance to the credit of the appropriation for the support of that institution.

The above requisition is more than covered by the transfer on the 12th. inst. to the Treasury of the U. States (to the credit of the appropriation for the Assay Office) of the "deductions" from Bullion Deposits for the 4th. Quarter 1860. In view of this transfer and the fact that means are required to meet the current expenses of the institution, I hope that it will be found convenient to forward the amount of the requisition at an early day.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful servant
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Hon Salmon P. Chase,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

N.B. — Abbreviations, —

To
Sec Treasury

Enclosing Requisition
for $20,000
in favor of U. S.
Assay Office

March 13, 1861.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

P.S. Invoice 55. will
be sent Tomorrow

New York,

March 12 1861

Sir

I enclose Two receipts of the Adams Exps Comp. and statements of Silver Gold & silver bullion, in Two invoices No 54. 55. The former, net value payable in Guar. dol $ 13,215.27 Containing gold $ 368.94 net payable in dbl. ea. The latter $ 21,087.23 net, payable in Guar. dol.

These invoices are endued in the M & R. weight and will probably show a discrepancy of .55 Hereafter the weights will be uniformly endued according to the Treas's balance.

Very Respectfully

J. W. J. Cisco

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq.

Treas' U. S. Mint

No. 61.

Memorandum of Gold Bullion transmitted to the **U. S. MINT** for Coinage, pursuant to Act of March, 1855, by **JOHN J. CISCO,** Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, New York.

March 18th 1861

Eight **BOXES, No.** 1 @ 8 5 **BARS.**

Description.	Number.	Pieces.	Ounces—dec.	Fineness.
Sovereigns	508	4	1280 30916½	
"	09	4	1280 30 "	
"	10	4	1279 44 "	
"	11	4	1280 45 "	
"	13	1	256 03916	
"	14	1	256 03 "	
"	15	1	255 46 "	
"	16	1	255 58 "	
"	17	1	255 69 "	
"	18	1	255 62 "	
"			22665490	

Description.	Number.	Pieces.	Ounces—dec.	Fineness.
Sovereigns	519	1	256 02916	
"	20	1	255 47916½	
"	21	1	255 46916	
"	22	1	255 52 "	
"	23	1	255 96 "	
"	24	1	256 00 "	
"	25	1	256 25916½	
"	26	1	255 76 "	
"	27	1	255 33916	
"	28	4	1301 15 "	
			1336295	

Description.	Number.	Pieces.	Ounces—dec.	Fineness.
Sovereigns	529	2	42428 916	
"	34	1	255 82 "	
"	42	5	1537 06 "	
"	43	5	1534 05916½	
"	44	4	1280 59916	
Napoleons	46	1	54 65899	
Sovereigns	47	2	507 24915½	
"	48	2	530 62916	
			22612731	
			1336295	
			22665490	
			5716385 16	

1667.262 Standard ozs. — $310.311.85

Less Coinage ½% — 1.551.56

Net Value — $308.760.29

1861 Gold.

$318,760.29

Rec'd 21 March 1861.

Invoice, No. 55

Statement of Fine Silver Bars

transmitted to U. S. Mint, for Coinage, pursuant to Act of March, 1855, by John J. Cisco Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, New York.

Date March 12th 1861 Six Boxes, Nos. I a VI.

Bars.	Numbers. of Molds	Fineness.	Gross Weight. Ounces.	Dec.	Standard Weight. Ounces.	Dec.	Value. Dollars.	Cts.
141	@	996½	213425					
			10601 35					
			10724					
172		"	285785					
			14971 40					
			13604 10					
163		"	252115					
			12804 30					
			12907 75					
174		"	275945					
			14897 00					
			12997 75					
165		"	264805					
			12708 80					
			12921 75				14306	14
166		997	281905		31322	88		
			14348 85					
			15739 80		17429	02	21089	11
					20910	24		
					21089	11		

No. 55. Silver

$ 21,089.11

Rec. March 14. 1861.

Warehouse Point Conn Mar 12. 1864

Mr. J. K. Snowden.

Dear Sir

Will you please send me a Silver dollar of 1864. I beleive I send enough to pay for it & the postage, $1.06. 9 cts Please direct to

Chas. E. Woodward
Warehouse Point
Conn.

Mr J. K. Snowden.

H. B. L.

From Lt
Charles E Woodward
Hawkins Point
Conn.

Selected

Received
Sept

March 18. 1861

March 16. 61

Dear Sir.

I comply with the request contained in your letter of the 13th inst. I send you herewith a silver dollar of 1861, for which you endorsed $1.06.

Very Respectfully,

J. R. Snowden

Director of the Mint.

Charles E. Woodward Esq

Wethersfield Post

Conn.

W.H.J.

Treasury Department
Comptrollers Office
March 11th 1861.

James H. Walton Esqr.
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Your a/c of Gold, Silver and Cent Bullion, for the qr ending 30th September 1860., has been adjusted at the Treasury per Rep^t to 139.985, and the following described balance (agreeing with your Summary Statement) found to be in the Mint on that day:-

Gold Bullion		9.180.413 ozs	$170.798.40
Silver	do.	77.517.08 "	90.202.51
Cent	do.	1.297.392.48 "	86.492.83
Gold Coinage			193.914.40
Silver	do.		71.441.63
Cent	do.		21.488.45
Total			$634.338.22

I transmit herewith duplicate bills of expenses incurred in the distribution of Silver in 3d qr forwarded with the original bills.

Very Respectfully
Your obt Servt
W. Mickle
Comptroller.

W. Medill, Comptr

Washington

Mar. 11/61

Recd Mar 12

No 53 India Wharf
Boston March 11th 1861

James Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

We are in the habit of receiving large Amounts of Bar Silver at times from Chile - this Silver is sent to us as a remittance and as there is always large loses upon it - we are desirous to learn the best mode of disposing of such Silver as we may receive in future and shall be greatly obliged to you if you will advise us fully the terms upon which the Mint receive Bar Silver - paying for the same in Coin - to enable us fully to understand how the result is arrived at by the Mint an answer to the following question will confer a great favour -

A Bar of Silver is dep^d at the Assay office in N York - weighing after melting 2500 Ounces - of 998/1000 fine Silver -

How may Dollar pieces should we receive for it ?

Also

How many Half Dollar pieces - if ordered in half dollars ?

We have now at the Assay office 6 Bars of Silver - weighing 14.648 90/100 oz - which we have left for Coin - and are desirous to make an estimate of its probable result -

Our previous lots we have had made into Small Bars of Fine Silver - but as there is no demand at this time for such - We have left the 6 Bars above noted for Silver Coin -

Excuse the trouble we shall give you

We remain Your friends truly
Samuel D Crane & Co

From To

Messrs Sam'l Abbott & Co

Boston

Mass.

Invitation to value

of Silver Bars

& difference in

Amount when paid

in Silver dollars

or coin of less

denomination

March 13. 1861.

March 13.

Gentlemen,

I have received your letter of the 11th inst. Enclosed you will please find a circular in relation to the purchase of Silver bullion for coinage at the Mint.

The following statement contains the information you requested in relation to the Silver bars referred to in your letter:

2500 ounces Silver. 998 fine, would make st. ozs. 2772.22, for which in half dollars, we would pay ——— $3. 357.39

If coined into dollars, it would make 3. 225.86

Less half per cent for coinage 16.13

$3. 209.73

Making the Silver dollar piece equal to $1.07.969 in small silver coins

Very Respectfully,
Saml Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Messrs Samuel & Chas Mc:
Boston,
Mass,

Peoria Ills. March 11/61.

Supt U. S. Mint

Dear Sir

Will you please give me some information in regard to the Amount of Gold left at U.S. Mint by Mr Benjamin White - & the name of the person or persons in full - who drew the aforesaid Gold from the Mint — Mr. Benjamin White arrived at N.Y. City from California some time in the year '52 - I do not know the precise date - but think it probably - it was in the last of June '52. or first of July. as he died at the Merchants Hotel - Courtlandt St. N.Y. - July 15/53 — if you will

be so kind as to comply with the before written = you will much oblige a sister of deceased = who is in reduced circumstances = & who thinks it posible if she could learn the name of the person or persons who drew the gold & the amount = to reclaim it =

Yours truly
S. W. Dodge
Box 97 = Peoria Ills.

for Mrs Harriet Shaw =
sister of the deceased =

S. W. Dodge
Peoria
Ill

Rec'd Mar 15 1861

March 11– 61 –

Col. Snowden

Dear Sir —

Do you need a specimen of the coin of which I enclose a rubbing it is about proof and almost unique the only other one known is in Mr– Mickleys collection The price is $50 I would take pattern pieces in exchange —

Yours Respectfully

I. Ds Forges

Jno Fo

L. P. Des Forges

Balt.y

Offers a

Lan Coin

for Sale, & ply

that Edwards

Unsolicited purchas

St,

March 13, 1861,

March 13. 61.

Dear Sir.

In reply to your letter of the 11th inst I have to state that it is not practicable to purchase coins for the Mint Collection of so high a price as that you refer to. I thank you however for your attention in sending me the rubbing of the same.

Very Respectfully,

J. R. Snowden

Director of the Mint

J. P. Des Forges Esq

No. 12 Light St.

Balt.

1861

Mansfield Mosely 11

Mr James H Walton

Treasure of the Mint

Sir I take

the Liberty of Riting

to you Concerning that

Backage of Gold Dust

I hav just got it

and and i am Satisfied

With the Returns of

Said Backage of Dust Sent

to you Mint I hav

Sent you 11 ounces Gold

Wate and i now hav ~~this~~

you 8 day Bill for onley

Nine ounces and 82 Pennyl

and this is a Big Lass

Eather Buy your Mint or

Burn the Expres and i

cant stand and that
and now i want you
to testify to what
you received of
said Express Beck
Express agent at Mansfield
you will please say
this collected as far as
you are concerned and
you will make oath
to this as to what you
received of this Express
and Make you bill
this Cain Expressed around
Buy New yorks which it cost
the man dollars and fifty
cents for bringing it
from yours mint this
Extra half a yard as to
blame for that But

Shiping Buy a Young
Express But that I can
Stand But I Cant Stand
near two ounces that
if to Good Buy
and you will oblige
Me Buy giving Me
Satisfaction as to this
for I now guest what
this gold is worth and
ounce at Sanfrancisco and
it ort to ~~be~~ be worth
the same here this is
nd awl I will say at this
t time yours
Respectfully
William B Simon
Mansfield
Pleasantvalley Ohio
Soon as Received

Mr James H Walton

Treasurer of the Mint

No 272. 9,82, after mutilg 9,60

Wm. B. Minor

Monument, D

982
98
1080

Mar 11/69

Rec'd

Mar 13

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 11. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 414,202.30 in gold Coins, for a/c of invoices N° 45. 46.

I shall endeavor to send on tomorrow or the day after an invoice of 25,000 ounces of Silver; with this, the amt in your hands unpaid for, will be about $ 135,000. I shall require all the gold, you can possibly remit. In case of your inability to pay Silver in full, please substitute gold Coins, subject to future adjustment.

In regard to the draft for $ 25,000. it will be received as gold Coins, in payment of deposits, if properly indorsed.

Very Respy

Wm J Wo

Treas

Jas Ross Snowden Esq. Treasurer U.S. Mint

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 9. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $16000 in Silver for account of invoices No 38. 42.

Enclosed you have receipt of The Adams Express Co and invoice of nine boxes Silver, net value, payable in Quarter dollars $22,364.67 Containing gold payable in dbl. ea. $1312.54

Very Respectfully

Wm J Cisco

Treasurer

J H Walton Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

From the Secy. U. S.,
Washington City

Draft $606.82

Dr Ross Mudd

March 12, 1861.

Treasury of the United States,

March 19 1861.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive _____ Treasury Draft payable to your order. Please date and sign the accompanying receipt, and return it to this office by an early mail; and cause the draft to be presented for payment without delay.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Treasurer of the United States.

S. Roberts Assistant

Director &c

N. B.—*The payee of a Treasury draft, when he endorses it, or, presenting it for payment, receipts it, should write his name thereon as it is written in the draft or in the endorsement that assigns it to him, taking care to* AFFIX *his official or representative style or title, if it be written in the draft or in said endorsement. An endorsement by a* MARK *should be attested by two subscribing witnesses; if by a substitute, it must be accompanied by evidence of substitution, except in the case of president or cashier of a bank or other institution.*

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TOTAL,					

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Dear Sir.

March 27 61.

Referring to your letter of the 25th instant respecting the necessity of the adoption of the blanks already by Messrs Kirk Stow and Messrs P. L. Florence, I have to request that you will cause the names be omitted from the Roll for ten days from tomorrow.

I regret the necessity of making this order; but it becomes necessary to do so in order to evidence the greatest carefulness on the part of those who perform the important work of adopting the recipients of the Plants bestowed by this Country.

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
Ross Newman
Secretary.

Sec. N. Christchurch
Plant Comm.

Dear Sir,

I have to request that you will inform Mrs. Rachel Bratton that after this month her name will be omitted from the roll of the employés in the Mint. She will be expected to be in attendance only to the last day.

Very respectfully
Your
Obt. Servt.
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Jno. M. Child Esq
Chief Coiner
U. S. Mint.

March 8. 61.

Dear Sir

You will please inform Mr Thompson Duffy that after to-morrow his name will cease to be placed on the roll of the workmen in the Mint. He will be paid up to the 9th inst.

Very respectfully
Your ob't servant,
James Ropebrough
Foreman.

Jas. N. Chilton Esq
Chief Clerk
U.S. Mint.

To the Chief Coroner

March 8. 1861.

order.—

Discharge of
Thompson Tully
+
Mrs Rachel Dalton

Suspension for ten
days of Miss Kate
Story + Miss E. L
Florence, on a/c
of inaccuracy of
the adjustment of
the teeth.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 8, 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 445,122.62 in gold and silver, per a/c of invoices Nº 43. 44. 45. and 38

I also enclose receipt of the Adams Express Company, and Statement of six bars silver bullion, of the net value of $ 16,094.31 Containing gold $ 43.10 net; for the former please remit gov. dollars, and for the latter gold Coins.

Very Respectfully

Wm J Cisco

Treasurer

J H Walton Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

St Louis March 8th 1861.

Mr. treasurer
of the United States Mint
at
Philadelphia.

Honored Sir!

On the 22nd of February I sent to yow per Adams Express 5 ounces and 18 pennyweight gold-dust and requested yow at the same time in a letter sent by mail, to return the value of the dust to me in U. S. gold-coin as soon as possible. I sent the dust in a small tin-box, contained in a square paper-box and directed it to the Mr. treasurer of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia.

As I am entirely destitute of money, the gold-dust I sent to yow being all I possess, I hope, honored Sir, yow will not take it amiss that I request yow to send me the value of my dust as soon as possible. Can I expect a few lines from yow as an answer of this letter?

I remain, honored Sir very respectfully

Henry Foelig
lodging at the General Taylor House,
in St. Louis Mo.

Henry Trolig
St Louis, Mo.
Mar 8/61

Rec'd Mar 13

New York March 7th 1861

Col. Snowden

Dear Sir

Please send me three more copies of your work on Washington & National Medals, directed as before to S. Mayden

New York, care of C. B. Richardson & Co 14 Bible House Astor Place New York—

— bill $9.00— to be collected on delivery.

Very truly but hastily

Yours

S. Mayden

Three Copies sent
March 11. 1861
per Express,

From,
S. Hayden Esq
N.Y.

3 copies of
Wash. Med Book
requested & forwarded

March 11. 1861.

Directeur
de la Monnaie
DE PARIS.

CH. DIÉRICKX.

MONNAIE ET MÉDAILLES.

Doit M Waite

pour vente et livraison à lui faites des médailles suivantes

payables comptant sans escompte.

Nombre de Médailles, Pièces de Mariage ou Jetons.	Or à 900/000, Argent à 950/000 Savoir:	Poids. K.	G.	C.	Prix du Tarif avec les coins fournis. par la Commission F.	C.	par les Éditeurs. F.	C.	Montant de la Vente. F.	C.
3	Bronze mill Double 68				6	60			19	10
2	" 54				3	90			1	90
8	" 49				2	60			21	20
							Total		48	60

Pour acquit
Paris le 25 Sept 1856
Pour Dieuche
Bradin

Les lettres doivent être adressées affranchies, à M. Diérickx.

NOTA: Par arrêté du Ministre des Finances du 21 Octobre 1836, les intérêts à 5 % par an, sont dûs, du jour de la livraison à celui du paiement, en conséquence si les intérêts ne sont pas ajoutés au montant de la facture, ils seront portés en compte à la prochaine livraison.

United States Appraisers' Office,

Boston, Mass. March 7th 1864.

My dear Sir:

Your of the 5th inst is at hand. I inclose you a bill from the Medal Mint at Paris - wh may possibly, be of service to you. The Book I will forward by "Adams Express" this p.m. I should be glad to know when the Master Coins of the present year will be ready; I desire to have a set of the Silver & the cents - also any of the gold which are varied from those of last year.

Very Respectfully, Yours.

Jos. H. Colburn.

James Ross Snowden. Esq.

Director U.S. Mint.

Wm Leith Colburn Esq

Boston

Mass

Bill of Lading

Mexico

March 9, 1861.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 7. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $10 000. in Silver for balance of invoice № 32.

Enclosed you have receipts of the Adams Express Company, together with Statements of three boxes deposit gold, net value, payable in dbl. ea. $103,189.11 and Six boxes of deposit silver, embracing two invoices № 50 & 51. the former payable in silver dollars $5,660.00 the latter payable in Quarter dollars $10,153.00 the silver having been packed with reference to one invoice only I cannot designate the boxes containing the respective invoices. Please inform me how late you can receive & pay silver invoices this month.

Very Respy

J. W. Walker Esq. Asst U S Mint

Wm J Cisco
Treas

To
Hon Salmon P. Chase
Secretary of the Treasury

Monthly Statement
Deposits & Bonds

March 6. 1861

March 6. 1.

Sir.

Enclosed please find a statement of the Deposits & Coinage at the Mint of the United States, during the month of February last.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful servant,
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Hon Salmon P. Chase,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Examiner should advise branch interest on demand or time loans should be collected at least every six months; and that mere payment of interest is not considered a renewal formal extension agreement is signed by all parties or the laws of the State provide otherwise. A new note, if practicable, at each maturity date is preferable.

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TOTAL,					

Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

83 Fleet St
March 6th 1861

Col J R Snowden
Dear Sir

I duly rec'd your work on the Washington Cabinet of Medals Va and I am very much pleased with it & consider it a very useful and valuable work to Numismatists — but I expected that you would have had more than 138 Medals & Medalets of Washington. Is that all you have that is described What is the "Mint Manual of Coins" if the Price is not steep send me a Copy & oblige Yours truly

Jno K Smith

Jno
Lee R. Countess
Wm 1

Michael Booth
a/c
Com. Book
requested
forwarded
by Express
C.O.D.

March 8, 1861.

Treasury Department
Comptrollers Office
March 6th 1861.

James H. Walton Esq.
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa,

Sir:-

Your a/c of Ordinary Expenses for the qr ending 31st December 1860, has been adjusted at the Treasury per Rep ct no 139.878, and a balance found to be due on that day from you to the United States of $38.032.59

Bal due U. S. per your a/c current 5.557.57

Making a difference of $32.475.02

arising as follows:-

Amount of Warrant ct no 5370 dated January 2d 1861, not yet credited by you $32.475.00

also error in addition of bill of J. B. Lippincott & Co, (Von no 196. Petty Expenses) Bill foots up $5.56- amt paid $5.58- overpaid & disall. .02

Difference explained $32.475.02

In bill of Benj Hunter (Von no 217, Inc. & Con. Exp) he only has charged and been paid $2.78 for "Two

new Paws for ingot Tables 21 lbs @ 18c which amounts to $3.78.

The suspensions in the former adjustment of your Ordinary Expense &c, have been admitted upon explanation furnished in your letter of 17th Dec: 1860.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't Serv't
W. Mc Veigh
Comptroller.

Comptroller U. S

Washington

Mar. 6/61

Recd Mar 8

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 6. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 272,014.38 in gold, with draft for $ 46,000. on a/c of invoice No. 43 and $ 17,853.88 in Silver & gold on a/c of No. 38.

Enclosed you have receipt of the Adams Express Company, and Statement of Bridoe bars Silver bullion, net value $ 31,130.13 for which please remit in dimes $ 15,000. ½ d. balance. gold Contained $ 976.01

I shall be obliged, if you will make your silver remittances as rapidly as possible, the payment of deposits having been greatly delayed.

Very Respectfully

J. W. Dodge

Treasurer

J. W. Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint.

Treasury Department
March 5. 1861

Sir

This Department, on the 11th of April 1860 transmitted to you, for deposit in the Cabinet of the Mint, a collection of the Coins of Denmark presented to this Government through Mr. W. de Raasloff Chargé d'affairs from that kingdom.

By inadvertence no instructions were given, at that time, to prepare an appropriate acknowledgment, in reciprocation of the compliment, and which, as the Department learns, was expected, you are, therefore, now authorised and directed to forward to the Department a full set of the coins of the U. S., for presentation to the King of Denmark.

I am, very respectfully
Your obt. servt.
Howell Cobb
Secretary of the Treasury

James Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint

Hon'd Ld.
The Sec Treasury

In relation to presenting
the King of Denmark
with a proof set
of coins of U. S.
in exchange for
set of Danish coins
presented to U. S. some
months since.

March 7, 1861.

Bank of North America
March 5th 1861

My dear Sir

I send the three casks of Silver bullion, with the letters which I exhibited to you this morning, as requested, and am much obliged for your attention to the coinage of the same

Very respectfully
Yours
J Lockley Cashr

Col. J Ross Snowden
Director U S Mint

Jno. D. Hockley Esq
Cash. Bk. N. America
Phila

Depositing Silver
Bullion

March 5. 1861.

Circular
Sent with P.S.
as Proof coins
1861 will be
ready

Mt Morris, March 5, 61

Mr I R. Snowden

Sir

Your letter
of the 28 is at hand. Please
to inform me by letter the
time when the Proof Silver
Coin of 1861 will be ready
for distribution as I
wish to purchase one set.
If you have any Proof
or Pattern Copper Coin
I would like to purchase
if you & will pay your
prices or a premium on
them. I remain

Respectfully Yours

Livingston Co. N.Y. G. H. Parsons.

From
L. H. Parsons Esq
Mr. Morris
N. Y.

Prof. Comi
1861

March 12. 1861

Mint of the United States,
Assay Office
Philadelphia, March 5 1861

Assay of lead ore for silver, from the "Bates Lode," head waters of South Platte; sent by Ansel Bates.

The amount of silver is $6\frac{2}{16}$ ounces per ton of 2000 lbs.

J. R. Eckfeldt
Assayer.

Mint charge, $1.—

From Dr
Anson Bates Esq
Cottage Hill
D C

Assay of
Lead ore
"Bates Lode"
Head waters
South Platte

March 3, 1861.

Cottage Hill DuPage Co. Ills
Feb 27th 1861

Dr Sir.

Your favor of the 18th inst come duly to hand. I send you to day per Am. Express. about two pounds of the mineral mentioned in former note, which please have assayed, and send statement to me at this place

Respectfully Yrs
Ansel Bates

L. R. Snowden
Director U.S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa

American Mutual Life Insurance and Trust Company,

No. 3 TRINITY BUILDING, 111 BROADWAY

New York, March 4th 1861

S. Roberts Snowden Esqr
Director U. S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa.

Dear Sir

When you have a spare moment (if you ever do) will you favor me with answers to the following questions.

1st When was the Three Dollar coin first issued?
2d Has there ever been any alteration in the Die?
3d When was the coin first sent to New York?
4th Can I get one of the original issue by sending to the Mint?

Yours truly
H. D. Walker.

change in charg
letter forming the
word Dollars on
the reverse

From Lo
H. D. Walker Esq
N.Y.

Inclosed to
Comes 3 dollar
Note

March 7, 1861.

March 7. 1.

Dear Sir.

I have received your letter of the 4th inst.

The three dollar coin was issued in May 1854. A change in the letters forming the word dollar on the reverse, was made at the commencement of the next year (1855)

We have no pieces of this coin on hand except of last and the present years coinage.

Very Respectfully

James Ross Snowden

Director of the Mint.

Mr H. D Walker Esq

New York

Examiner should advise branch interest on demand or time loans should be collected at least every six months; and that mere payment of interest is not considered a renewal formal extension agreement is signed by all parties or the laws of the State provide otherwise. A new note, if practicable, at each maturity date is preferable.

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Peabody Institute.

SOUTH DANVERS, MASS.

March 4th 1861

J. Ross Snowden Esq

Dear Sir

Yours of the 2d is before me and I was surprised to learn from it that my letter giving Order for the engraving of a new Die for the obvers of Peabody Medal did not reach you.

I have now to request that you will have the kindness to procure a new Die on the terms you mention ($60.) as soon as it can be engraved. We are fortunate in having a few Medals on hand which will supply the awards of the present year, so that no particular haste is needed,

Please acknowledge receipt of this and oblige

Yours Respy
G. F. Poole
for School Com'tee

Rec'd Dec
Peter Pond
School Com.
South Danvers
Mass

Design medal
die made. — Cost
$60 —
order placed in
hands of the Paquet
for the preparation
of the die.
March 7, 1861.

March 7. 1.

Dear Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th. inst.

A new die from the obverse of the former medal, will be prepared as soon as convenient.

Very Respectfully,
Sam. Richards
Director of the Mint.

A Porter Esq.
(of Hebron Conn.)
South Danvers,
Mass.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 4. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 310000. in gold Coins for bal due on invoice № 41.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Wise

Treasurer

J H Walton Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Treas: assay Off

Newyork

Rec'd Mar 5 Mar 4/51

Ogdensburgh March 2. 1861

United States Mint
Philadelphia —

Enclosed you will find .25[cts] for which, if you will be so kind and obliging, please send by express a few copper cents of 185[7] date. This, you may consider a any strange request, but by doing so you will much oblige

Yours Respectly.

Royal C Vilas

Direct R. C Vilas
Ogdensburgh
St Lawrence Co. N.Y.

Sent the dollar returned March 5th 1861 in Lincoln cents

From Sd

R. C. Silas

Ogdensburg

N.Y.

1/4 sheet

enclosed for

copper cents

1857. — Returned

March 2. 1861

83 Nassau St N.Y.
March 2 1861

Col. J.R. Snowden Jr

Dear Sir

Will you please send me a Copy of your work on Coins & Medals in the Mint Collection & I will remit the Cash to you — Yours Very Truly

J. Ellis

P.S. Is the Proof Coins for 1861 out yet —

Copy of Book sent by Express with Bill, March 4, 1861.

From Co
D. R. Curtis Esq
N.Y.

Desires copy
of Book on
Medals.-
Sent per Express
March 4, 1861.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 2nd 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 392,244.06 in gold Coins per 4c of invoices Nr 39.40.41 and $ 12000. in Silver Coins on Nr 32.

Enclosed you have receipt of the Adams Express Company, and statement of Eight boxes fine gold bars, Net value $ 457,171.26 for which please remit dbl. ea.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. Olsen
Treasurer

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Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia March 1. 1861.

Sir.

The usual monthly count and examination, made at the close of yesterdays business, exhibited the following balance in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint:

In Gold Coins	$430,144.50
In Silver Coins,	7,113.60
In Cent Coins	18.85
In ordinary Fund	16,041.62
San Francisco Br. Mint Fund	99.15
	$453,417.72

Corresponding with the balances as stated upon his books of account.

An examination at the same time, into the condition of the Mint generally, gave satisfactory evidence, that the business of the institution is conducted, with care and fidelity.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect.
Your faithful Servant.
James Ross Snowden.
Director

Hon. John A. Dix,
Secretary of the Treasury.
Washington City

pr. H. R. Linderman

Mint of the United States.
Philad.a March 1. 1861.

Sir:

As required by the 12th section of the act of 6th of August 1846, and the regulations of the Department, I made on the 28th ult.o an examination of the books, accounts and money on hand, in the Office of the ~~Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia~~, and found the following balances in gold and silver coin:

General Treasury Fund	$94.930.55
Post Office Monies	174.716.26
U. S. Loans	5.336.99
Coupons	30.205.00
Disbursers Fund	75.893.63
~~$[illegible]~~	

Agreeing with the balances as stated upon his books of account.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful Servant.
James Ross Snowden
Director
for H. R. Linderman

Hon. John A. Dix,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

To
The Sec. Treasury

(2 letters)

Monthly count and examination

March 1. 1861.

March 1861

United States Appraisers' Office,

Boston, Mass. Friday, Eve: Mch 1. 1861.

Dear Sir:

Your favor enclosing the Marriage Medal is at hand. I am much obliged for your gift as it was wanting in my Collection. I know of but two others in this vicinity - one in Silver & one in Bronze.

I enclose a fine copper coin of "Isabel 2d." and one of the "Empire of Hayti" - neither of which are described in your Manual of the Mint Coin'n.

I should be pleased to see - (when it shall be fixed) your Tariff of prices for the National Medals. I have the "Catalogue des Poinçons, Coins et Médailles" which contains the "Tarif - du prix des Médailles &c &c of the French Mint - the volume is at your service, if you do not possess a copy, for reference. My copy of the "Washington Medals" will come to hand tomorrow morning - at our Meeting of the Numismatic Society - this p.m. it was spoken of as being a very valuable work.

Very Respectfully. Yours.

Jacob Colburn.

J. Ross Snowden, Esq.
Director

From Wm Lloyd Garrison

Lewis L. Colburn

Boston

Mass

Enclosing Cop's

of Gold II +

Empn Hayti's +

March 6. 1861

March 5. 1.

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your favor of the 1st inst. The Copper coin of "Isabella 2", and one of the "Empire of Hayti", which you enclose, are very acceptable, and will be placed in the Cabinet.

I will be much obliged for the one or two specimens of your catalogue of French Medals, containing a tariff of prices. I am now engaged in fixing the prices for our medals and the work will be of service to me. I therefore thank you for your kind offer. You will please send it to me by the steamer of Sept.

I am glad to learn that my work on "The Washington & National Medals" has received the approbation of your Numismatic Society. Very respectfully Yours

Lieut. Colonel Kapp
British Mint

James Rob Snowden.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 1. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 10,237.41 in Silver Coins for a/c of invoice № 32.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Wilson

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq

Treas" U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

March 5th 1.

Dear Sir.

The mineral referred to in your letter of the 27th ult. has been received and assayed. It is lead ore and contains 6.56 ozs. 9 dwts. of silver per ton of 2000 pounds. This at the Mint value of silver is equal to $5.79 per ton.

The Mint charge for making this assay is one dollar, which you may remit in any way most convenient to you.

Very Respectfully,
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Ansel Bates Esq.
Cottage Home
Du Page Co.
Ills.

Cottage Hill Ills
Feb 27. 61

Dr Sir.

Enclosed herewith are specimens of mineral from the "Bates Lode" - so called - headwaters of South Platte, Colorado Territory, for assay.

Very Respt
Yours
Isael Bates

A R Snowden
Director U.S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa

P.S. These specimens are only croppings and only average ones.

I.B.

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1861/ MARCH

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1861/APRIL

Office of the Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington April 5. 1861.

Sir:—

The amount named in yours of yesterday will be quite desirable.—

Please be so kind as to have it prepared, Two Thousand dollars in Labels, and three Thousand dollars in Quarters; and advise this office when it may draw for the amount.

Very Respectfully Your Obedient Servant

S. Chase

Col. James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia
Penn.

From Co
Hon F. O. Spinner
Treas. U. States.

Payment of drafts
to amt $5000—
in Silver Coins
April 6. 1861,

Correspondence
U.S. Mint & Branches

April 1861,

April 6. 1.

Sir,

Referring to your letter of yesterday I have to state that we can have the $3.000 in quarter dollars you desire ready on Monday next. The half dollars ($2.000) not until Thursday. I suggest that two drafts be issued; one on Monday for $3.000. and one on Wednesday for $2.000. each payable in silver Coin.

I am with great respect,
your Ob. servant.
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Hon. H. O. Spinner.
Treasurer of the U. States.
Washington City.

Address Box 2419 Post Office.

Office of Webster & Craig
No. 29 Nassau Street.

New York 5 Apl 1861

My dear Sir

Many thanks

for your letter of

valuable information

just received. It gives

me the knowledge

for which I have

for weeks been

searching in vain.

The most instructive

paper upon the

subject I could find
one in the American
State Papers, in the
three volumes devoted
to Finance.

If I can be of
service to you do not
fail to command
me.

Truly yours
Sidney Webster

J. Ross Snowden Esq
&c &c &c

From Sidney Webster Esq
New York

Thanks me
for information
&
April 8. 1861.

Boston April 5/61

Jas Rosf Snowden Esq.

Dear Sir.

I send to you to day, by private hand, one mode copper medal to be bronzed. As soon as ready please forward it to me & oblige

Yours truly

Chas Brewster Jr.

Geo. B. Hanover

From
Wm Wyman Bunster
Boston
Mass

1 copper
Medal sent
to Burnyeat
April 8. 1861

April 4th 1861

Col Snowden
Director U S Mint

Sir when the new Boilers where put in operation you asked me about the Sellers injector for supplying the Boilers with Water, at that time I thought it would interfer with our arrangements and also would be of no advantage to us, since then I have examined thoroughly into them and find that they have advantages which would be of great Benefits to to our Boilers and that they can be applyed with very little trouble and expense, The principle advantage is that whilst the Engines is stopped the injector will throw hot water in the Boilers whilst in the old Way on nights and Sundays we had to put cold Water in them which I think very injurious to Boilers for this reason I recommend to you the attaching of one to the Boilers of the Mint

Yours Respectfully

Thos Johnson

Report
Charles Johnson
Engineer
U.S. Navy

Letters Inspector
for Engine

April 4, 1861.

Apr 4th 1861

Mr. Burch Esq.

Manager of United States
Mint Phila

I send you two
Specimens of Ore found in
this County & take the
liberty of sending the same
for your inspection if you
will examine it & take trouble
to permit a few lines to me
you will confer a favor
Direct to Thomas Bradley
Waynesburg Greene Co. Pa

Ore

The vein of ore is about
Eighteen Inches thick
& I am anxious to know
what it is

B

Sam'l Lo

Thomas Bailey

Baynsburg

Pa

specimen

assayed

April 11. 1861.

The Specimens sent by W. Bradley

The larger sample Iron pyrites
the other Galena or Sulphuret of lead

Lecky — 88.88
Mr Clarke 1.50
Cornell Hollins 1.96
Adams Exp. 49.81
142.15
Missing 309.26 viz.
Total Warrt 451.41

Oct. 23 — Bag bill $26.46
31 Freight 282.80
309.26

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
April 4th 1861

James H Walton Esqr
Treas US Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

Upon further examina-
-tion of your Bullion account for the
fourth quarter 1861 I find that neither
vouchers for transportation of Silver Coin, nor
for Expenses attending new cent coinage, accom-
-pany the account.

I will thank you to transmit
them at your earliest convenience,

Very Respectfully

L. A. Bruce
Auditor

Thomas L. Smith

1st Auditor

Washington

Rec'd Apr. 5 Apr. 4/61

309.26

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 11th 1861.

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 460,000. in gold, for v/c #63. and $13,256. in silver on 57. bo. (including draft, F & C. $ 5256.)

Enclosed you have receipt of the Adams Express Company and Statement of four boxes fine gold bars, of the net value of $ 288,051.47 for which please remit dbl. val.

Very Resp'y

P.S. Drafts issued in favr. Colgate & Hoffman. payable in silver Coins. against inv. #57. 1 for $5000. 1 for $ 5,588.21 = $ 10,588.21

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. Wisc
Treasurer

P.S. By referring to my letter of 30 Mch. you will see inv. nº 60. was payable in half dollars. on which you have sent $ 18,000 in qrs. I am very much in want of the former and will thank you to adjust, on unpaid invoices.

Examiner should advise branch interest on demand or time loans should be collected at least every six months; and that mere payment of interest is not considered a renewal formal extension agreement is signed by all parties or the laws of the State provide otherwise. A new note, if practicable, at each maturity date is preferable.

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April 7th 5

Dr Sir.

Enclosed please find the draft for $50. sent in your letter of the 4th inst for Cents. Not being endorsed we return it for endorsement, which when done, and returned to us, we will forward you that amount of cents in a few days.

Yours truly
Jas. Pollock Sy.
Ohio

To
Alb M Seymour. Pm,
Painesville
Ohio

M M Seymour. Ohio

Painesville

Ohio

Orders draft. and
draft returned
Ohio 7th. Pro-
clamation,
April 13th/65.

Recd draft
properly endorsed.

Post Office
Painesville Lake Co Ohio
Sept 4th 1866

Director U. S. Mint

Sir

Please
send for the use of this
Office $50. Pennies 1-2+3
Fund Enclosed E. S. P. Ike & Bro
Draft on North Nat'l Bank New York
for $50.—

Yours Truly
J. M. Sayers P.M.

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Alford 3.d 1.

Dear Sir,

Many circumstances especially hasty official business have combined to prevent an earlier reply to your letter of the 15th ult.o

The Spanish dollar, known to our legislation, as undoubtedly the dollar coined in Spanish-America, North and South, which was abundant in our currency; in contradistinction to the dollar coined in Spain, which was rarely seen here. The intrinsic value of the coin, or the standard as a general (not invariable) denomination, to American Colonies bore pillars, and the Spanish an escutcheon or shield; all which bore the royal effigy.

The Mexican [illegible] in contradistinction [illegible] Eagle coined, - vulgarly named Cob - which a century ago was, frequently with Spanish-American provinces, chiefly Mexican. By the use of a milling machine the pieces were figured on the edge

and upwards a true Circular form.

The Pillar dollar, and the Millled do have in effect the Edge in Value, and as [illegible] the same Coin, Many of the are Pillar dollars (coin) which are not Milled, and there are Milled dollars (of Spain proper) which have no Pillars.

In regard to the weight and fineness of the Spanish Milled and Pillar dollars; the Legal weight is 8 1/2 to a Carolina Mark, or 419 5/9 grains troy. The Limitation of 419 grains in our Laws of 1786 (April 10th) was to much the Loss by wear. The Legal fineness of the Spanish dollars are to allowances 20 grains in 902 7/9 thousandths; the actual fineness was somewhat variable and always below.

The Spanish dollars, and all other foreign Coin are ruled out by the Act of Congress of 1857 Sept. 2 (Mint Pamph. p. 58 - being no longer a legal Tender; but I suppose for the

Assurance of Confidence, that Statements
& Records given for me may be considered,
as they only
Yours truly and affectionately
James Rapelye Brevoort.
Solicitor of the Court

Wilmer Hobbie Esq
Counsellor at Law.
New York.

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APRIL 3RD 1861

Of the Danish Currency proper
9¼ piece of 2 Rigsdaler contain
1 mark Cologne weight pure Silver as indicated
on the reverse, and of the
Danish West India Currency
10¾ dollars contain
1 Mark Cologne weight pure Silver
The weight of the one cent piece of the
Danish West India Currency is
1/100 of One pound Cologne weight

I trust that you will be pleased
to accept this modest offering, in the
same spirit of cordiality in which it
is tendered, and have the honor to
remain, Sir, with high and
Sincere regards
Your obt Servt

Signed W. Raasloff

Hon. Howell Cobb
Secretary of the
Treasury U. S.

April 13th 0.

Sir,

I have received from Jarvis of the 11th inst, and also the case containing a contribution of Danish, and Danish West-Indian Coin, for the Cabinet of the Mint. This contribution from M. Raasloff Esq., Chargé d'Affaires to the U. States, from Denmark, is very acceptable, and affords several interesting items of information, most of the pieces being new to us. -

The double, single and half rigsdaler, are of the old established Standard, and need no further remark; except that the statement of the Danish Minister that the Standard fineness of the Silver Coin is 625 thousandths, does not apply to these pieces, (whose Standard fineness is 875) but to the denomination of 16 Skillings, and the West Indian series. The 4 Skilling piece is half the

weight of the 16 shillings, and cannot therefore above 312½ fine.

The next Indian coin is more especially interesting to us, because it is conformed in nomenclature to our own. The 20 cent pieces weighs .222 oz (the smaller piece in proportion) and is 625 thousandths fine, contains .138¾ oz fine silver. At our present rate of buying silver it would be worth 18.66 cents; at our rate of coinage it would be equal to 19.27 cents, so that it is not interchangeable in value. The value of these pieces - whether by accident or design we cannot determine - is the same as the Canada coinage of silver. In my last annual report I spoke of these coinages and expressed a hope that the English government, which furnishes the coinages of similar coins to our own, would make the values the same. The same remarks applies to the West

Indian Coins? If other nations adopt our Coins they ought to adopt our values.

The bronze mixture for the superior coinage appears to be growing in favor in Europe, being adopted in France, England, and now in two Coins, in Denmark. I put in the latter case with a cheaper alloy of tin and Zinc. The Cent is the 1/100th of a Cologne pound; and as this pound contains 7218 grains troy, it makes a small fraction over 72 grains to the Cent; which is the weight of our Cent. But our Nickel alloy is considerably more valuable as a marketable Metal.

The contribution from the Danish minister will be placed in the Cabinet of the mint, and I expect the arrangement that it is a very acceptable one.

I have the honor to be with great respect your faithful servant

Robt Patterson
Director of the Mint.

Hon. bl
Howell Cobb.
Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City.

two specimens of the new Gold coins as soon as they shall have been struck, and will, with your permission, in due time send them to you: to complete the above collection.

Each of the two sets contains the following Coins - Danish Currency proper:—

Silver

1 piece of 2 Rigsdaler			$1.09
1 " " $\frac{1}{2}$ "			.27 1/4
1 " " 1 "			.54 1/2
1 " " $\frac{1}{16}$ (Should be $\frac{1}{6}$)	or	16 Skilling	.09
1 " " $\frac{1}{24}$ "	"	4 "	.02 1/4

Bronze

1 piece $\frac{1}{96}$	"	1 "	
1 " $\frac{1}{192}$	"	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	.

Danish West Indian Currency

Silver

1 piece of $\frac{1}{5}$ Dollar	or	20 cents	.18 2/3
1 " $\frac{1}{10}$ "	"	10 "	.09 1/3
1 " $\frac{1}{20}$ "	"	5 "	.04 2/3
1 " $\frac{3}{100}$ "	"	3 "	.02 8/10
			2.38

Bronze

1 piece $\frac{1}{100}$ " " 1 Cents

The Standard of the Silver Coin is 10 parts or 0.625 pure silver to 6 " " 0.375 alloy. and that of the Bronze Coins

90 parts copper, 5 parts tin and 5 parts Zinc.

Danish Legation

New York April 9. 1860

Sir

The fact that several changes have taken place, of late, in the die and composition of certain Danish Silver and Bronze coins, and also that, quite recently, in consequence of a Royal Ordinance dated September 6. 1859, new Danish Silver and Bronze coins have been put into circulation in the Danish West Indian Possessions - where the United States Dollar was made the legal tender, by Royal Ordinance dated July 23. 1859, and where silver coins of the United States, of all descriptions, from 50 cents down to 3 cents pieces, are received at their full nominal value - the same as the new Danish Coins above mentioned, led me to the belief that it might be of interest to the Treasury Department of the United States to possess a complete collection of Danish Silver and Bronze Coins, and prompted me to procure from the proper authority, in Denmark, two sets of such coins; which I take the liberty to enclose, and which I beg you would do me the favor to accept, and dispose of, in such a manner as you may think most proper.

A new issue of Gold Coins being in contemplation, no such coins were sent to me; but I have taken steps to ob-

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April 2. 61.

John S. Selby Esq
Act. Md Dist
To Medal Bnd Ches. Mnfr.

3 Fine Silver Medals @ 3.50 $10.50

Received Payment
Simon Rosenwalden
Sutler
for W.R.L.

Sent by Adams Express
April 2. 1861.

Lt.
John L. Selby Esq
act. Mas. Asst.
Balto
Md,

Bermuda

April 3. 1861.

Office of the Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington, April 3rd 1861.

Sir:

Will it be convenient to remit to this Office, on my draft, ten thousand dollars in Silver Coin?

Very Respectfully Yours

S. P. Chase
Treasurer

Col. James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia,
Penn.

From To

Hon F. O. Spinner

Treasurer U. S.

Washington City

In relation to
sending $10,000
in Silver Coin from
Pulton Fund.—
Reply that we
can pay draft
for $5000

April 4, 1861

April 4 1.

Sir,

In response to your letter of yesterday I have to state that our supply of silver bullion belonging to the government is quite small indeed what is necessary for our coining purposes. But as I am desirous, as far as possible, to comply with your wishes, we will forward you with $5,000 in silver coin, as soon as we can prepare them & you will indicate the denomination you require.

I am, with great respect,
Your ob! servant,
James Ross Snowden,
Director of the mint.

Hon. J. C. Spencer.
Secretary of the U. States.
Washington City.

Coal Office of E. A. Packer & Co.,

13 Trinity Building,

New York, April 3rd 1860.

Lt. Robinson
Phila
Sir
I am in
want of some 2d hand rails
check for $287.24 in part
for Bill of Sale.
Yours truly
E. A. Packer

From
E. A Packer
U.S.
Actl. Act. Asst
Paymaster
Steamer

April 4. 1861.

Cent Consgt

ARAMINGO CHEMICAL WORKS

Philadelphia, April 5 1861.

United States Mint

Bought of **MORO PHILLIPS,**

No. 27 North Front Street,

MANUFACTURER OF

Oil of Vitriol, Aqua Fortis, Nitric and Muriatic Acids, Copperas, Blue Vitriol, Nitrate of Lead.

868½ lb Nickel a 1 3/8 $ 1194 19

Correct
Ja[s] C Booth
M.A.R.

Rec[d] Payment.
Moro Phillips

(54)

Washington D.C
April 3d 1861.

James Ross Snowden Esqr
Director of the Mint at
Philadelphia.

Sir.

By reference to the enclosed statement you will perceive that the sum of $3547.$\frac{65}{100}$ has been suspended or deducted from my account by the accounting officers of the Treasury. This deduction or the greater part of it is owing to the value of the Bolivian half dollars, as estimated in your letter to the 1st Comptroller of the Treasury, dated the 7th October 1859. To this adjustment, based upon the value of the Bolivian half dollars, as above stated, I must enter my solemn protest for the following reasons. In estimating the value of the Bolivian half dollars at 78 $\frac{4}{10}$ cents, the basis adopted by you has been the Commercial instead of the legal or intrinsic value of the coin at the Mint of Philadelphia, which, in my opinion, is incorrect.

By the Act of Congress of the 18th January 1837, now in force, the Silver Dollar is to contain 412 $\frac{5}{10}$ grains of Standard silver, $\frac{9}{10}$ fine; and by the same act, the Eagle is to contain 258 grains of Gold of the same fineness. The Act of Congress of the 21st February 1853, authorising the coinage of small silver coin for local circulation, was not intended to repeal the laws then in force. As an evidence of this fact, provision was made that such coinage should not be a legal tender, for more than five dollars. Therefore, the standard of the small silver coin should not be taken into account, to form the basis of estimating silver coin when paid in a foreign country. Assuming then, that 412 $\frac{5}{10}$ grains of silver are equivalent in value to 25 $\frac{8}{10}$ grains of Gold, the value of an ounce of silver at the Mint would be 116 $\frac{1}{3}$ cents, and not 121 cents,

as assumed by you. Whilst I am willing to admit that the Bolivian half dollars would sell at the Mint at 78 4/10 cents, and if the money was paid to me for Salary at Philadelphia, I could not claim more; yet I do not agree that silver has the same commercial value in Lima, where I was paid, as at Philadelphia, where it is bought at a high premium, for the purpose of coining a currency of lesser value than the standard coin in order to prevent its exportation. It is an uncontrovertible fact that Silver which bears a premium of 5 to 6 per cent at Philadelphia, taking as the basis the relative or legal standard adopted by the United States, is in Mexico and in South America, at a discount of from 2 to 3 per cent. The reason for this is obvious. In Philadelphia it has an increased value for coining silver of the lesser denomination, whereas silver is a product of South America and being more bulky than gold, it is more difficult or costly for transportation, saying nothing of the inducement for smuggling where there is an export duty. Believing then that the Bolivian half dollars have been estimated at too high a rate, and that the amount above referred to has been unjustly deducted from my account, I have to request and claim it as a right, that the Bolivian half dollars be estimated at their legal and not their commercial value at the Mint of Philadelphia.

If it should be insisted upon that the value of the Bolivian half dollars should be estimated at its commercial value at the Mint, I request that you will furnish me with the commercial value of Silver from the year 1848 to 1853, the date of the Act of Congress authorising the coinage of small coin, because previous to that date there was no difference between the commercial and the legal value of gold & silver at the mint, and my account covers that period. In a letter addressed by you on the 18th May 1858 to the Hon. James B. Clay, Member of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the House of Representatives, on the subject of coinage, you say: "In view of the complexity of the subject,

Copy

Treasury Department
Comptrollers Office
March 29 1861

Hon. J. Randolph Clay,
U. S. Minister to Peru
now in Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have to advise you, that in pursuance of joint Resolution of Congress, approved February 20 1861, your claim for losses by exchange on your drafts for salary &c., as Minister to Peru, are drawn on the State Department, and on Messrs. Baring Bros. & Co U.S. London Bankers, from Janry. 1st 1848 to 31st Dec 1858, has been adjusted at the Treasury, per 5th Auditors Report No 20.988, and a balance of Eleven thousand one hundred and twenty six 41/100 dollars ($11.126.41/100) has been found due to you from the United States, after deducting the difference between the Bolivian Peso, at 100 cents the dollar, as heretofore credited to you in allowing your disbursements for Contingent expenses, and 78 4/10 cts. the Bolivian dollar, the latter being its true relative value as compared with the dollar of the U. States (gold standard), as per letter of Col. J. Ross Snowden, Director of the U.S. Mint, Phila., addressed to you under date of February 11th 1861, and filed with your account. The following statement of differences, is given for your further information:-

Amount of loss by exchange claimed as per your statement, estimating the Bolivian currency in which the proceeds of your drafts were received at 74 4/100 cents the dollar ---------- $15.5[illegible]8.18

Deduct difference on Contingent accounts due the U.S. as admitted per your statement to

Amt. brot. over 15.5 7/8.18

31st December 1858 904.12

Bal. claimed on account of Loss by exchange $14.6 7/4.06

do found due you per Treasury adjustment 11.126.41

Showing a difference against you of $3.34 7/.65

Thus accounted for, viz:

1st This sum charged for loss on draft of 30 Nov 1851 for £ 154.19.2, suspended by Auditor and concurred in by this office, said draft appearing to have been negotiated by Lang & Co., and not by John Blacker who certifies to the purchase or negotiation of said draft – as per Voucher No 11 $128.07

2nd This sum, being amount over charged by you for loss by exchange, by estimating Bolivian currency at 7/4 4/10 cts, in lieu of 7/8 4/10 cts as allowed by Treasury adjustment – disallowed $3.27/3.57

3 And this sum charged to you in Treasury adjustment, not credited in your statement, being the difference between the Amt. credited to you for Contingent expenses, from 1st Jan. 1859 to Sep 30, Sep. 1860, estimating the Bolivian currency as 100 cts the dollar and 7/8 4/100 cts the dollar, you being entitled to credit for the same at the last named rate 14.40

4 Also, for errors in calculations and additions 1.61

Difference as stated $3.34 7/.65

The U.S. Treasurer will in due course of business hand you a draft for the balance found due you as aforesaid, say ($11.126. 41/100).

I am, respectfully
Your obdt. Servt.
W. Medill
Comptroller.

From U.S.
Hon J. Randolph Clay
late Minister U.S.
to Peru
Apr 6 1861

Commercial &
intrinsic value
of Bolivian Hard
dollar

1861

4. The Silver Dollar of the United States contains $412\frac{5}{10}$ grains, $\frac{9}{10}$ fine

grains
480) 412.5 (860
3840
2850
9 fine
774. pure silver

03
.866
666 fine
5199
5199
5199
577.$\frac{33}{100}$ Pure silver

774) 577 33 (74$\frac{5}{-}$ Silver value
5418
3553
3096
4570
3870
700

74.5
155.3
2235.
3725.
3725
745
16.) 1156985 (72$\frac{3}{-}$ cents Gold value.
112
36
32
49
48
1

Calculations showing the value of the Bolivian Half Dollars.

The Silver dollar of full weight contains .866 – 901 fine, and half dollars of same weight .650 fine. See Report of James Ros Snowden, Director of the Mint at Philadelphia. Financial Report 1857-8. Page 66.

1. 901.) 6500 (72 $\frac{14}{}$ cents value in Silver
6307
1930
1802
1280
901
37.90
36.04
180.

2. 72.14
15.53 Value of an Ounce or Dubloon.
21642
36070
36070
7214
16) 1120 3342 (70 cents Gold value
112.

The Ounce or Dubloon valued at $16 silver dollars is only worth $15.53. as compared with U.S. Gold.

3 The Bolivian and Peruvian dollar contains 542 Castillian grains 10 Dineros + 20 grains fine. The 2 half dollars contain the same number of grains + are 8 dineros fine.

10.20 8
24 24
260 192

260) 1920 (73.$\frac{8}{}$ Silver Value
1820
1000
780
2200
2080
120

73.8
15.53
2214
3690
3690
738
16) 1146114 (71$\frac{6}{}$ gold Value
112
26
16
101
96
5

"I think it may well be considered whether it would not be proper
"either to discard the silver dollar altogether, or make it accord with the
"smaller denomination in weight, that is to say reduce the weight to
"384 grains instead of 412 5/10 as now authorized".

Without expressing any opinion in regard to the suggestion made above, I would say that I do not think the accounting officers would be authorized to put any other value than that established by law, say 412 5/10 grains; until Congress shall think proper to amend the law in accordance with your suggestion. In your letter to the Comptroller abovementioned, you estimate the four Bolivian half dollars sent to you for assay, at 39 2/10 each. In the same letter you say, that that result differs somewhat from former assays, which gave a valuation of 38 5/10 — a variation as you correctly observe, due to the want of steadiness in weight and fineness. The average weight of the former, say 0.439 + 665 fine, is evidently above the average standard as regards weight: 433 being about the true average weight, as stated in your report of 1857-8: and the one that should be adopted at the treasury, in adjusting this class of accounts. Accompanying this letter are some calculations, showing the value of the Peruvian or Bolivian Half dollars, by assuming different standards. The first estimating them at 72 14/100 cents is based upon your report to the Secretary of the Treasury 1857-8. The old dollar is put down at 866 weight + 901 fine. The Peruvian half dollar at 433 in weight and .650 fine. The proportion is, as above, 72 14/100 cents Silver Standard. If it be concluded to value the half dollars with the gold dollar of the United States, I should be allowed the difference between $16.00 the nominal value of the Doubloon or Ounce, and $15.53 its true value, its intrinsic value, as compared with the gold currency of the United States. By this calculation the Bolivian Half dollars would be worth only 70 cents. This value corresponds with my first account submitted to the Treasury Department, but which I was induced to change, when advised that similar accounts had been adjusted at the Treasury, by estimating the dollar at 74 4/10 cents.

For this value see Mint Statement for 1842.

The second calculation estimating the Bolivian dollars at 73 8/10 and 71 6/10 cents is by giving the exact weight of the dollar, say 542 Castillian grains and showing the difference in fineness between 10 Dineros 20 grains, the fineness of the old dollar, and 8 dineros, the fineness of the half dollars. The 73 8/10 cents being the silver and 71 6/10 cents being the gold value.

The last calculation of 74 5/10 cents is by giving the actual weight of the Bolivian half dollars say. 433 at 2/31, or 8 dineros fine, and comparing it with the silver dollar of 412 5/10 grains 9/10 fine. The gold value by this standard is 73 2/10 cents.

These different calculations prove the difficulty of arriving at a correct standard, and more particularly so, when it is considered that the coinage is liable to vary both in weight and fineness.

Another calculation might be made and perhaps the best for its simplicity. These dollars are all based upon the old Spanish dollar and are intended to be of the same weight. The only real difference is in their fineness. The difference then between 8 dineros or 2/3 fine, the Bolivian and 9/10 fine, the American dollar, is the true difference in their value. By this standard the Value of the Bolivian dollar would be 74 cents silver and 71 8/10 cents in gold.

Before concluding this letter permit me to submit to you the following question, which I think has a strong bearing upon my case. Should Congress repeal the act of 1853, authorising the coinage of small coin, what would be the probable value of the Bolivian half dollars at the Mint? Would their commercial value be as much as the legal or intrinsic value as now claimed by me?

I have the honor to be Sir,

Your obedient Servant

J Randolph Clay.

P.S. Be so good as to return the enclosed Comptroller's letter dated March 29 1861.

April 6th 1.

Sir,

The subject presented to my consideration in your letter of the 3rd inst., is not free from embarrassment.

By the rule of legal tender a silver dollar is precisely equivalent to a gold dollar; and yet if some of our foreign Ministers were paid in the one kind and some in the other, the incapacity would be about four per cent. in favor of the receivers of silver. It thus becomes requisite to establish one of these dollars as the standard of value and compensation; and since the gold coin of the United States are the superior currency, and silver coin are subordinate thereto the former is properly to be preferred.

In reply to one of your enquiries I have to state that the silver Coinage of the U.S. from 1848 to 1853 (June 1st) was at the rate of

100 cents for every body of the finest
qua thousandth. — The weight of the
dollar being 412.5 grains, the smallest
fraction in correspondence with that valuation
of Belgian half-dollars would be
37.5 cents, as near as we can judge
from the last assays. The repeal of the
act of Feb. 21. 1853 would restore the
above stated valuation to all the coins
of the United States.

These general remarks are responsive
to the questions which seem appropriately
answerable here. The other topics proper
to my attention may be passed for the
consideration of other departments of
the government.

I am, with the highest respect
Your obt. servant.
James Ross Snowden

Hon. J. Randolph Clay
Late U.S. Minister to Peru.
&c. &c.
Washington City.

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
April 3d 1861

James H Walton Esqr
Treas U S Mint
Philadelphia

Sir,

Upon examination of your Bullion account for the fourth quarter 1860 I find that no vouchers for cent Metal purchased accompany it. I will thank you to forward them at your earliest convenience.

Very Respectfully

T. L. Smith
Auditor

Th. L. Smith

1st Auditor

Washington

Recd. Apr. 4/61

H. WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT.
S. MOORE, JR., CASHIER.

Delaware County Branch
STATE BANK OF OHIO,

Delaware, O., 30 April 1861

Treasurer U States Mint
Phila

Enclosed find
Our draft on Nassau Bk N York. $100.
for which please send me per Express. $25. in cents + $75 in three cent pieces,
less your charges

Resp'y
S Moore Jr Cas

Cents 40
3¢ — 60
$100

S. Moore, Jr. Esq
Cash
Delaware Ohio

April 3/69

Ans Apl 9

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Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

April 3. 1

D. A. Goddard Esq;
for public Schools
Worcester Mass.

Lollbeare Thos & C. L. Smith Dr.

42 Tin Silver Medals @ $1.80 $75.60

Received Payment.
Lollbeare Thos Snowden Secretary
per W. R. L

Dear Sir.

Allow please find receipted account for 42 Tin Silver Medals sent to Your address by day per Adams Express. to whom you will please pay the amount. Please also, sign receipt & return to me the enclosed Voucher.

Very Respectfully,
Lollbeare Thos Snowden
Secretary of the Board
per W. R. L

D. A. Goddard Esq
Worcester
Mass

To

D. A. Goddard Esq

Worcester,

Mass,

Bill for medicines

April 3. 1861.

To Sec Treasury

Monthly Statement

for March 1861

April 3, 1861.

April 3. 1.

Sir.

Enclosed please find a statement of the Deposits and Coinage at the Mint for the month of March last.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful Servant.
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Hon. S. P. Chase,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

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To
E A Packer
N Y

Enclosing Check
in payment Mr
Copperstrips for
Medals

April 2, 1861.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, 186

April 2. 61.

Dear Sir.

Enclosed please find my check for $287.36 in payment of your account for 898 lbs copper strips for Medals.

We shall not want any more strips at present.

Very Respectfully,

James Ross Snowden.

Director of the Mint

E. A. Packer Esq

Assay Building

New York.

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To,

Hon S. P. Chase

Sec Treasury

Monthly Count

and Examination

April 2. 1861

April 1861

April 2. 1.

Sir,

As required by the 12th. section of the act of 6th. of August 1846, and the regulations of the Department, I made on the 30th. ult. examination of the books, accounts and money on hand, in the Office of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia, and found the following balances in gold and silver coin:

General Treasury Fund	$92,615.90
Post Office Monies	122,098.11
U.S. Loans	4,640.99
Coupons	30,145.00
Disbursers Funds	75,137.83
	$324,637.83

corresponding with the balances as stated upon the account books in his Office.

I have the honor to be
With great respect,
Your faithful Servant
James Pollock
Director of the Mint

Hon S. P. Chase,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

April 2. 1.

Sir.

The usual monthly count and examination made at the Mint at the close of business on the 30th ult.o exhibited the following balance in the hands of the Treasurer, viz:

In Gold Coins	$93,916.00
In Silver Coins	13,140.56
In Cent Coins	1,261.49
In Ordinary Fund	5,650.26
San Francisco Branch Mint Fund	" 69.15
	$

corresponding with the balance as stated upon his books of account.

An examination at the same time into the condition of the Mint generally gave satisfactory evidence that the business of the institution is conducted with fidelity and care.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
Your faithful Servant,
James Ross Snowden.
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Washington City.

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Newark 2 April 1861.

Hon. S. R. Snowden
Philadelphia

Dear Sir,

We take the liberty to ask, if there are Somme Sweeps in the Mint ready for sell. Having added several improvements to our establishment we can pay the highest prices posible.

Pleas favor with your kind answer and oblige

your very respectfully
Ballach & Dieffenbach
Dr Alb. Frey
65 East River Street

What answer to the

From.
Balbach & Oppenheim
Newark
N. J.

Sale of Sheep

April 3. 1861.

April 3. 1.

Gentlemen:

In reply to your letter of the 2nd inst I have to state that we shall offer a lot of mint sweeps for sale in about three weeks. Proposals for the purchase of the same will be invited from the different sweep smelters, as usual

Very Respectfully,
E. R. Snowden.
Director of the Mint

Messrs Balbach & Sons
No 65 East River St.
Newark,
N. J.

Philad^{a} April 1st 1861

United States Mint

Bought of Isaac Phillips

865 1/2 lbs Nickel — 1-37 1/2 — 1194 18

Correct
John A^{d} Taylor
Asst M M

Rec^{d} Payt
Isaac Phillips

(52)

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 1st 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $466,769.16 in Gold and Silver Coins, for a/c of invoices № 62. 63. 54. 60. 57.

Very Respectfully

Wm J Chas

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

P.S. I have this day issued a draft in favor of Tuver & Colgate, payable in Silver Coins for $5,256. against invoice № 57.

March 8, 1.

Dear Sir.

I send you to-day per Adams Express
to the following Silver coins of 1861:

7	Silver Dollars @ 1.08	$7.56
7	Half Dollars	3.50
5	Quarter Dollars	1.25
20	Dimes	2.00
14	Half Dimes	70
		$15.00

The balance of the proceeds of your draft, viz: $21 will be retained according to your direction, until the proof coins of the present year are struck, when the sets of silver proof coins you request, will be forwarded.

Very Respectfully,
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

C. P. Nichols Esq.
Cash. Buffalo & Erie R.R.
Buffalo. N.Y.

April 28th 61.

Dear Sir.

I send you herewith three
Dollar Scrip coin 1860. the receipt
of which, please acknowledge.

Very Respectfully,
S. P. Rounds D.
Treasurer of the State

A. P. Flickard Esq.
Buffalo.
N.Y.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, 186

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1861/APRIL

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1861/MAY

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 29th 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $200,000. on a/c of invoice N° 79.

I also enclose receipt of the Adams Expss Company, and Statement of eleven boxes deposit gold of the net value of $552,979.03 payable in Bbl. ea.

I beg to call your attention to my requirement of half eagles, stated in a former letter

Very Respectfully

Jno. J. Cisco

Treasurer

J H Watson Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Treas: Assay Off

New York

Apr 29/61

Rec'd Apr 30.

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April 26. 1.

Sir.

In compliance with the Act of March 3. 1853, c. 97. I present a statement of the expenditures of the Mint for the quarter ending 31st March 1861.

Statement of the Expenditures of the Mint for the Quarter ending March 31, 1861.

For Salaries of Officers & Clerks	$ 6,975.00
For Wages of Workmen & Adjusters	28,344.23
For Incidental & Contingent Expenses	10,473.95
" Freight on Bullion	19,131.06
Total	$64,924.24

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful Servant,
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Hon S. P. Chase,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

For Sec Treasury

Expenditures of the
First Quarter
ending March
31, 1861.

April 29, 1861.

THE AMERICAN EXCHANGE BANK.

New-York, April 29 1861.

Hon. James Pollock
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia -

Sir.

This Bk. is the receiver of considerable amounts of California Gold, which is sold as it arrives, but we are required to make large allowance for the time lost in converting it into Coin. We are told that it requires 4 to 6 weeks from the day of deposite here before it is returned back, and that deposites in the N.York Assay Office do not always come in regular turn with the deposites in Phila. of same date. Excuse my asking whether there is any ground for these statements, and whether greater expedition in the Coinage is practicable -

Asking your kind consideration to this statement. I am Sir

Yours very resp.

Geo. D. Coe
Pres.

Send to

Geo L. Coe Esq

Pres't Am Exch

Bk N.Y.

In relation to

payments of deposits

Complaints of

Preparations thereof

May 8. 1861.

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a. May 8. 1861.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 29th ult^o, to Hon Jam Pollock, has been referred to me for reply. That gentleman not having yet entered upon the duties of Director of the Mint.

In reply to the enquiry contained in your letter, I have to state that no preference are given to depositors as alledged. On the contrary wherever it is practicable, priority of payment follows priority of deposit, and in this respect deposits sent by the Assay Office are treated as those by private parties.

I have said "wherever it is practicable" as in the rule, and it is proper that I should explain what is meant by this qualification.

Depositors frequently demand payment of their deposits in a particular denomination of Coin which is not on hand in the Treasury, nor in course of manufacture. In such case, the Mint is obliged to make special melts and coinages for the

clear denomination, involving (of small coin, as Cents & ½a cents) considerable delay. On the other hand it may happen that the Mint has already in the Treasury, or is coining in regular course of manufacture, other coins which are perfectly satisfactory for the payment of particular depositors, and it is not deemed proper to have those latter depositors unsatisfied, until we are able to make the particular denomination required by a previous depositor; and they are therefore paid. Except in these cases there is no deviation from the rule of priority of payment according to priority of deposit.

It is proper to add that the business of the Mint is necessarily conducted to extreme disadvantage in consequence of our inadequate Bullion Fund, or Government deposit. With a sufficient capital to supply us, in anticipation, with a stock of coin of the different denominations, we could promptly meet the wants of depositors at the particular time, without annoying delays. With our present means we can only coin the bullion as it is brought to us, and this is done with

all possible expedition.

Very Respectfully,
James Robertson
Director of the Mint.

Geo. D. Coe Esq.
Pres't. American Exchange Bank,
New York

Treasury Department
March 29. 1861.

Sir

I enclose for your examination a communication received from Messrs. Coit, Loring in relation to the supplying Nitric Acid for the use of the Mint.

I will thank you to furnish the Department with such information as may be in your possession, that it may be enabled to act understandingly in the matter.

I am very Respy

S P Chase

Sec of the Treasury.

Dr. Reyd Snowden Esq
Director.

From Co
The Sec Treasury
Washington City

In relation to complaint
made by C. & F. Lemmon
in relation to
supplying the Mint
with Acid

April 2, 1861.

NYORK MCH·XXXTH· H·R·LINDERMAN· U·S·MINT· PHIL· SEVEN AND A HALF SINCE FIFTY SEVEN· BEFORE THAT SEVEN· G·F·DUNNING·

Copy

Dacony Chemical Works
Office No. 112 S. Front St.

Charles Lenny
Frederick Lenny

Phila. March 26. 1861.

Treasury Dept. Washington.

Having repeatedly made offers to the Supt. of the Phila. Mint of a supply of Nitric acid such as we manufacture in large quantities during the admn. of Pres. Tyler & having done so late as May of last year at the price of 6¼ cents pr. which we have reason to suppose are materially lower than the Mint has been paying, without any acknowledgement of said offer, or being asked for proposals as was formerly the case, we being one of the largest manufacturers of the article, are led to presume that undue influences have been given, and we now offer to supply the same at 5 3/4 cents pr. delivered at the Mint in Phila. and adopt this course, as we are disinclined to think that for personal considerations, we may otherwise not obtain to our offers which we think thereto entitled to. Respectfully

Hon. S. P. Chase
Sec. of the Treasury.

Chas. & Fred. Lenny.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia. April 2. 1861.

Sir.

I have received your letter of the 27th ult. enclosing a communication from Messrs S. & H. Lennig of this City to the Department respecting the furnishing of nitric acid for the use of the Mint, and asking a report on the subject.

It is with equal regret and surprise that I observe that the firm above mentioned has charged me with partiality in distributing the purchase of supplies of acid for the Mint. I am conscious of entire uprightness in the discharge of this duty, as well as all others connected with the supplies of the Mint and the management of its affairs. The following tabular statement drawn from the accounts of the Mint, shows the total value of acid supplied, during the years 1853-4-5 by three or four manufacturers and the proportion assigned to Messrs S. Lennig & Co. one of the parties.

Years	Total supply	No. of Manufacturers	Supplied by S. Lennig & Co.
1853	$89.796.61	3	$42.794.93
1854	67.891.81	3	22.692.09
1855	19.304.30	4	8,289.53
Total	$176.992.72		$73.776.55

It appears that during the years 1853-4-5,

Mesprs N. Lennig & Co. supplied five twelfths (5/12), or nearly one half, of the whole amount, when there were three or four firms furnishing supplies. In other words, Mesprs N. Lennig & Co received much the largest amount of business from the Mint.

The falling off in the quantity of acid used at this Mint commenced in the year 1854 in consequence of the establishment of the branch Mint at San Francisco, and of the Assay office at New York. The former commenced operations on the 3d of April of that year. The latter on the 16th of October. During the first half of the year 1855 the value of acid supplied to the Mint was $18,606.50, and the last half only $97.80. In consequence of this reduction, and the knowledge that it would be continued, it was determined in 1856, to receive acid from only one establishment and accordingly proposals for the supply of acid were asked for by advertising in Philadelphia, New York & Boston.

The result was, that the following offers were made by five parties:

Names of Bidders	Nitric acid, price per 100 lbs.	Sulphuric acid, price per 100 lbs.
M. Phillips	$6.85	$1.75
C. J. Crease	7.00	-
N. Lennig & Co.		
Powers & Weightman } Jointly	7.12	1.87
J. R. Savage & Co	8.50	1.87

The contract was awarded to Mr Phillips for one year, he

being the lowest bidder.

Mr Phillips continued to supply the Mint at the above named rate, until the 5th of November 1857, at which time he made a communication to me showing that he was suffering a loss of one cent per pound on the acid delivered by him. This Communication I referred to J.C. Booth Esq. the Melter & Refiner of the Mint, on whose report in its favor an advance in the price was made on certain conditions stated in the correspondence, copies of which are hereto annexed. This arrangement continued until May 1858 at which time the price was fixed at 7½ for acid of the strength of 39°, being one degree stronger than had been furnished previous to November 1857; since which time we have continued to pay the same price.

From the causes above mentioned the Refining business of this Mint has been quite small, the great amount of the bullion received being refined at New York, and at the Branch Mint at San Francisco, and foreign refined bullion, or composed of deposits of English and French Coin, which do not require the parting process, in which operation acid is used. For example during the last fiscal year the amount of acid required in our operations did not exceed $1600.

I am fully convinced that Mr Phillips has supplied us with acid at the lowest market rate.

This opinion is confirmed by an examination of the Confidential circulars which are issued by the Manufacturers to Wholesale dealers. That of Messrs Powers & Weightman, the largest manufacturers in this City, for the years 1858. 1859 and 1860 are hereto attached. It will be seen by reference thereto that the prices are put at 7½ cents per pound of 38° degrees, delivered in large quantities, which is one degree below the strength of the acid we procure from Mr Phillips, and also delivered in carboys of less value than those we require, these being called box carboys. The confidential circular of Chas. L. Bruce confirms the above prices. The Messrs Deming of St. Louis [illegible]

In further proof of the fact that the price paid to Mr Phillips is low it may be stated that the supplies of acids obtained for the Assay office at New York, from a large Chemical establishment in Brooklyn, has been at the same rates. The price of 7½ cents has been paid at the two institutions up to the present time because it was understood and believed to be the lowest price at which acid of the proper quality for Mint operations can be obtained.

The Messrs Deming speak of having made

offers to me: in regard to which I beg to state that
I have no recollection of having been made any offers
subsequently to 1856 when the contract was awarded
to Mr Phillips. If any offers were made as
stated by these gentlemen, they must have been
made to some other officer
or person connected with the Mint: they
certainly were never made to me or communicated to me so far as I am present. If
there had been such offer I would have gladly
received and considered it: for although the
amount of acid required by the Mint during
the last few years has been very inconsiderable,
yet I would have been glad to economise
by availing myself of offers to supply at lower
rates.

The Messrs Lennig [illegible] have not supplied the Mint since "the Administration of Dr Eckert" and yet it will be noticed that they did furnish supplies to the amount of $73.777.01 since the administration of its affairs has been committed to my charge.

Dr Eckfeldt having resigned in March 1853.

Although as already observed the Mint requires but a small amount of parting acid, which can be purchased at favorable rates in the open market, I will, in order to avoid complaints of this character, on the expiration of the present agreement with Wells, Phillips, which expires on the 16th. prox., invite sealed proposals, from the different manufacturers in this city, for supplying the Mint with acid for one year, the same to be opened on a certain day, in the presence of the bidders who may choose to attend.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful Servant,

Director of the Mint

Hon S. P. Chase,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City

MERCHANTS' BANK.

Portland, April 29 1861

J. R. Snowden Esq

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 23 inst. has been
Specie
received, with ~~enclosures~~, as stated.

Respectfully Yours,

C. Mayer Cashier.

From
C Rayson
Capt.
Merchants Bld
Boston

Rec'd. Act.
Com. for Supp.
April 29. 1861.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 27. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $270,985.02 for a/c of invoice # 78.79.80.

I also enclose receipt of the Adams Express Company, and Statement of seven boxes deposit gold of the net value of $477,012.16 payable in dbl. ea. at your earliest convenience.

Very Respectfully

J. W. Dodge

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq

Treas' U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off

New York

Apr 27/61

Rec'd Apr 29

Clinton
Oneida Co. N. York.
April 27. 1861.

To
Director M. S. Mint

I am desirous
of obtaining "proof specimens"
of the coinage of this year
and of preceding years if
possible. A collector recently
offered some to me at an
exorbitant price, and I
concluded that by writing
to head-quarters I could

obtain them at more
reasonable prices.

Please inform me at
what price you will
send them by mail post
paid.

Respectfully Yours

C. D. Anthony.

From
C. S. Anthony
Canton
N.Y.

Rec'd from

Enclosure
in reply

May 2. 1861

Treasury of the United States
Aug. 27. 1861

J. H. Wilson Esq
Asst Treas. Philadelphia
Sir,

We shall require there large amounts of Silver coins of various denominations. Please let me know how much you can spare at present, and how much you can procure us at what time.

Very respectfully
[illegible]

L. E. Spooner

Lieut. U.S.

Washington

Apr 27/61

Rec'd Apr 30

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 26. 1861

Sir

I herewith enclose receipt of the Adams Express Company and statement of seven boxes deposit gold, of the net value of $ 290,008.20 payable in dbl. ea.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Wise
Treasurer

J. H. Patton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off
New York
Apr 26/61
(Rec'd Apr 27)

To
The Treasury

Transmitting Medals
and a/c for grants
ending ~~April~~ March
31st.

April 26. 1861.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, 186

170 00
160.42
200 50
158.25
124.29
87 45
157.87
274.66
84.09
76 66

1500.

April 26. 1.

Sir.

I present herewith the usual statement of the Medal Fund account for the quarter ending March 31. 1861. and enclose vouchers for the items charged therein.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful Servant,
James Pollock Bowden.
Director of the Mint.

Hon S. P. Chase,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Examiner should advise branch interest on demand or time loans should be collected at least every six months; and that mere payment of interest is not considered a renewal formal extension agreement is signed by all parties or the laws of the State provide otherwise. A new note, if practicable, at each maturity date is preferable.

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TOTAL,					

Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

Buffalo Apl 25/61

Dear Sir

The Proofs came to hand this A.M for which pleas accept many thanks. I understand that you are about issuing some Medals if so & they are for sale pleas write what they are and the price of three or four cts.

Respectfully Yours
E. P. Nichols
Cashier
B. & E. R. R.

A. R Snowden Esq
Director
U.S. Mint
Phila

Yours
C. P. Nichols
Cash. Buffalo
N.Y.

acknowledgment
copies

April 29, 1861.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 25th 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 263,285.79 in gold & $ 6,683.60 in Silver for a/c of invoices, N° 74.76.78.

Very Respectfy

Wm. J. Olsen

Treasurer

J. H. Watson Esq

Treas. U.S. Mint.

Philadelphia

Treas. assay Off
New York
Apr. 25/61
Rec'd Apr. 26

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 24. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $75,000. on a/c of invoice No 74.

I also enclose receipt of the Express Co. and statement of Quantum Coin Silver Bullion of the net value of $45,036.45 payable in Gold dollars.

Very Respectfully

Jno. J. Cisco

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treasurer

P.S. In view of the present condition of affairs, and the increased amount of deposits, amounting in the past two days to $2000,000, and which will be transmitted to you as rapidly as circumstances will permit, I have to request that you will facilitate the payment of deposits, as much as possible, to satisfy depositors here.

Treas. Assay Off

New York

Apr. 24/61

Rec'd Apr. 25

United States Mint
Chief Coiner's Office

To
Honble
J Ross Snowden
Director

Dear Sir

Mr Lambert called upon me yesterday and stated that you had promised to restore him to employment in the Mint if I would recommend such action in his case. In consideration of his family and the circumstances detailed by him in reference to his conduct I have to request that you will again re-instate him —

Respy

Geo J Thilas
Chief Coiner
24 April. 1861

From
Geo. R. Schneider
Chief Coiner
U.S. Mint

Recommending
re-instatement
of H. Lawton,

April 26. 1861

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 22nd 1861

Sir

I herewith Transmit receipt of the Adams Express Company, and Statement of Eight boxes deposit gold of the net value of $ 315,709.19 payable in double eagles

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Dodge
Assayer

J H. Walton Esq
Treas' U S Mint
Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off

Newyork

apr 22/61

Rec'd apr 23

Phil April 22nd 1861

Col. Snowden

Director U.S. Mint

Respected Sir.

Pardon the liberty we take in addressing you, but being conscious of your universal kindness and consideration towards the female department under your superintendance, and knowing you have always stood our champion, we presume upon your generosity, and beg in their behalf that you may alter the law respecting our Salaries, so that we may again receive the half pay for the days that there is no work for us to do.

We feel less hesitancy in addressing you on this subject than we would one, who, unfamiliar with our duties, could not appreciate the importance of the request: With many wishes that this will meet with your approval we subscribe ourselves with Much Respect

Gulielma Rafsnyder } Com
Caroline C Thorn. }

Application
of
Female Operatives
in Adjusting
Room to be put
on half pay
when there is
no work to do.

Directors Order
in affirmation
enclosed

April 22, 1861.

April 22nd. 6.

The regulations heretofore in force respecting
half pay in the of the operation in the
adjusting room is hereby extended. The
persons on that roll with benefits accruing
half-pay in the days in which there may
be no duties for them to perform. The
said persons to hold themselves in readiness
to do the work assigned them at the call
of the proper Officer, or Superintendent.

James Rush Anderson.
Inspector of the Mint

Phila April 23rd 1861

Col. Snowden

Director U.S. Mint.

Respected Sir:

Your favor of yesterday was received with feelings of unbounded gratitude, and permit us, in behalf of the ladies, to offer to you their sincere thanks for your very prompt and generous response.

With great respect we subscribe ourselves

Gulielma Rafsnyder

Caroline C. Thorn.

From
Com[d]t. Adjusting Room

Thanks for
my response
to their request
in relation to
half pay &c

April 29, 1861.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 20 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $167,420.48 in gold coins, for a/c of invoices No. 73.74.

I also enclose Express Company's receipt, and statement of nine boxes of deposit silver; net value $.26,434.58 payable in half dollars; Contains gold $3,105.40 payable in dbl. ea.

I will thank you to include in your first gold remittance, $100,000 or any portion thereof in half eagles.

Very Respectfully

J. Thos. J. Cisco

Treasurer

John Patton Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Treas'. Assay Off

New York

Apr. 20/61

Rec'd Apr. 22

Merchants' Bank.

Portland, April 20 1861

Dear Sir

I send on an order some
time since for some silver coins — "nickel
coins" &c — if they are ready please
send them on & oblige

Yr respectfully
C. Payson Cy

T. J. R. Snowden Esq
U.S. Mint
Phil.a

How To

Charles Payson Esq

Cash. Merchants Bk

Portland

Maine

In relation to

proof copies

for colored serv

drafts

April 23. 1861.

April 23. 1.

Dear Sir.

I send you to day per Express a package containing the following coins:

25 Silver Dollars 1851 (Proof)		$27.00
Eagles	"	20.00
Half Eagles	"	9.50
10 Proof [illegible]		[illegible]
		$56.50

For which amount I enclose draft some time since. Please acknowledge receipt.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
Director of the Mint.

Charles Bryan Esq.
Cash. Merchants Bank
Portland
Maine.

New York 19 April 1861

To the Treasurer of the Mint

Philadelphia

Sir

We are holders of a Deposit Certificate of the Mint at Philadelphia No 556 dated 17 April in favor of Ambrosio Armijo for 60 57/100 Troy Sixty 57/100 ounces Gold Bullion

We shall be obliged by your informing us the exact Net value of the Bullion alluded to, as soon as ascertained, and whether we may draw upon you at Sight for the Amount on forwarding the Deposit Certificate properly endorsed by Mr Armijo remaining

Sir

Your most Obt Servt

By Cammann's Brothers & Co

C. Hammond's Nephews
& Co
Newyork
april 19/61
Rec'd Apr. 20

April 19th 1.

Sir,

I enclose, with my approval, the official bond of Robert L. Stevens Esq. as Supt of the branch mint at San Francisco.

You will please enclose Mr. Stevens' commission to him at the Astor House New York. As Mr. Stevens leaves for California in the Steamer of the 22.nd it will be necessary to send his Commn. at the earliest moments in your power.

I am, very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Wm. Medill
Comptr. of the Treasury
Washington City.

Copy

Treasury Department
Comptrollers Office
April 15. 1861

James Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Sir.

I herewith please find Draft
of Robert L. Stevens, as Superintendent
of the Branch Mint at San Francisco,
submitted for your approval &c &c.
Mr Stevens, (the bearer) designs leaving
for the Pacific in the Steamer about
Saturday, your immediate attention to the
matter is respectfully solicited.

I am, very Respt.
Your obt Servt
(Signed) H Medill
Comptroller

Sureties Charles E Lawton
Nath H Gould
of Rhode Island

To

Hon W. Medill

Comptroller Treasury

Washington City

Approval of Bond

of R. J. Stevens as

Supt Br. Mint

San Francisco

April 19. 1861.

Mint of the U. States.
Phila. April 19. 1861.

Hon. W. Medill.
Pt Comptroller Treasury
Washington City.

I have approved Mr Stearns
bond and mailed it to
Hon. Send Commissioned to
Astor House New York to
day Yours Respectfully
Director of the Mint

Supt

To,

Hon W. Medill

Comptroller Treasury

Official Bond

of R L. Stevens Esq

as ~~Receiver~~ Supt.

Mint San Francisco.

April 19. 1861.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 19. 1861

Sir

I Summith enclose receipt of the Adams Express Co, and Statement of Four-Ten boxes deposit gold, of the net value of $ 556,445.044 payable in dbl. eag.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Walton

Wm. J. Cisco

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

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Treas. Assay Off.
Newyork
apr. 19/61

Rec'd Apr. 20

Cent Coinage

ARAMINGO CHEMICAL WORKS.

Philadelphia, April 19 1861.

United States Mint

Bought of **MORO PHILLIPS,**

No. 27 North Front Street,

MANUFACTURER OF

Oil of Vitriol, Aqua Fortis, Nitric and Muriatic Acids, Copperas, Blue Vitriol, Nitrate of Lead.

1226 95/100 lb. Pure Nickel. a 1 3/8 $ 1687 06

Correct
Jas. A. Booth
M.A.R.

Rec'd payment
Moro Phillips

1697

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 18th 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the rect of $ 139,672.35 in gold Coins for a/c of invoices Nos 72. 73.

I also enclose Express Co's receipt & statement of nine boxes gold bullion of the net value of $ 348,220.87 payable in dbl. eal.

Very Respectfully

Wm J Olcott

Treasurer

D N Walton Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Treas. assay Off

Newyork

Apr. 18/61

Rec'd Ap. 19

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 17 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 13,000 in Silver for balance of invoice N° 71.

I also enclose receipt of the Express Co and statement of thirteen boxes Silver, net value $ 32,276.64 payable in gold. dol. containing gold $ 917.45 net, payable in dbl. ea.

I will Thank you to include in your next remittance $ 300. in new cents, in bags of five dollars each.

Very Respectfully

Wm J Disco

Treas

J H Wootton Esq

Treas U. S. Mint.

Treas. Assay Off.

Newyork

Apr 17/61

Rec'd Apr 18/

THE MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

MORSE LINE,

NORTH, SOUTH, EAST AND WEST,

Connecting with all the Southern, Western, Eastern and Northern Lines of Telegraph.

DIRECT SOUTHERN LINE, NEW-YORK TO NEW-ORLEANS,
AND ALL INTERMEDIATE PLACES.

PHILADELPHIA OFFICES—105 and 107 South Third Street, Girard and Continental Hotels.
NEW-YORK OFFICE—No. 21 Wall Street.

Terms and conditions on which Messages are received by this Company for Transmission.

The public are notified that, in order to guard against mistakes in the transmission of messages, every message of importance ought to be repeated by being sent back from the station at which it is to be received to the station from which it is originally sent.—Half the usual price for transmission will be charged for repeating the message, and while this company will as heretofore use every precaution to ensure correctness, it will not be responsible for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery of repeated messages beyond an amount exceeding five hundred times the amount paid for sending the message, nor will it be responsible for mistakes or delays in the transmission of unrepeated messages from whatever cause they may arise, nor for delays arising from interruptions in the working of its telegraphs, nor for any mistake or omission of any other company over whose lines a message is to be sent to reach the place of destination. All messages will hereafter be received by this company for transmission subject to the above conditions.

J. KENDALL, Gen'l Sup't,
4 WALL STREET, N. Y.

E. S. SANFORD, Pres't,
NEW-YORK.

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28 Dated Wash City Apl 17 1861.

Rec'd, Phil'a ..... 1861, ... o'clock, ... min. M.

To James Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint.

Draft forwarded by the
Mail of this day.

S. P. Chase
Sec'y of Treas'y.

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From Sec. Treasury

Draft Mailed

April 17, 1861.

War Department
Washington, Apl 17/61

Col J R Snowden
U. S. Mint.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, and duly appreciate the motives which prompt your suggestion. We are now, however, in need of all the arms we can command for field service; besides which I cannot believe that there is any danger of a attack upon the Mint. My confidence in the loyalty and Union loving disposition of the whole population of Philadelphia is such that, I am sure, a moments notice would suffice to bring a sufficient force into service to repel any attack. Truly Yours

Simon Cameron

From. Pa

Hon Simon Cameron

Secretary of War

Washington City

In relation to furnishing arms for the Militia

April 23. 1861.

April 15th 1.

Dear General:-

In view of the unhappy condition of our country, and of the possible necessity, during the Continuance of our troubles, of protecting the Mint, and the treasure it contains, from violence, I have deemed it a matter of prudent precaution to have at our command a proper supply of arms. The watchmen are now furnished with pistols (colts - and others) but these are not very efficient weapons, & would prefer to be supplied with rifle-muskets. I beg therefore that you will give orders to furnish us with one hundred of the usual accoutrements. They can, I understand, be procured from the Frankford Arsenal, & in case we are supplied with the arms I hope the necessity of using them may never arise; but if it should arise, I will answer for their being employed in

~~endeavoring to~~ preserve our Country and defending its government and institutions.

This request is not made in consequence of any apprehension of a want of fidelity by the people of this City and State to the General government; on the contrary they will, with great unanimity, sustain the administration in supporting the laws of the United States, and maintaining the Federal Authority over the entire Union; but it may be well to be in the attitude of preparedness to meet any interference which may come from other quarters or from domestic disturbances, which may induce desperate characters to endeavour to supply themselves with the means at the expense of their fellow-citizens, and of the Public.

I will be glad if this suggestion should receive your favorable consideration and hope it may be compatible with

to publish in Cincinnati to procure the request.
I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
Your most obt. Servt.
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Simon Cameron,
Secretary of War,
Washington City.

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TOTAL,					

Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

April 16. 1.

S. R. Flanigen Esq.

Dear Sir,

A statement in your behalf of the morning
reflecting the U.S. flag at the Mint requires Correc-
tion. It is stated that a committee of citizens
visited the raising of the flag at the Mint,
and a conversation on the subject is reported.
There is not the slightest foundation for
that statement. When the Mint was
re-built in 1855 and rendered fire-proof,
I caused a flag staff to be erected on the
top of the building, from which hoist the
"Stars and Stripes" have been displayed
every day since, during Office hours, when
the weather was suitable. Yesterday the
flag was hoisted before 9 o'clock, and
continued to float in the breeze during the whole
day. This was not the result of a call
by a committee, or of resolutions stated,
but of my own orders. and in accor-
dance with our usual customs.

Several United States flags have been
worn out in waving over this National
Institution, and I hope may thousands
more may be worn in the same manner
As the one we now have is somewhat
worn I have ordered a new one
to be prepared.

I beg to add that this is not the time to
misrepresent those who are anxious to
support the government in maintaining
the Constitution and laws of the
Union, and the honor and dignity
of its flag.

I am, very respectfully
Your obt. servant
James Pollock
Director of the Mint

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 16. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $100,000 in gold Coins on a/c of invoice No 72.

Enclosed you have Express Company's receipt and statement of Six boxes Silver of the net value $16,683.60 payable in dimes, Containing gold $64.92 net, payable in dbl. val.

Very Respy

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

J. Th. J. Asco
Treasurer

Treas. Assay Off

Newyork

Apr. 16/61

Rec'd Apr. 17

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TOTAL,					

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April 16, 1.

Sir.

I enclose with my approval a requisition from the Superintendent of the Assay Office, at New York, for Twelve Thousand Dollars, payable out of the balance to the credit of the appropriation for the support of that institution.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect.
Your faithful servant.
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Hon S. P. Chase,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, April 186

To
The Sec Treasury

Enclosing Requisition
from Supt Assay
Office N.Y.
for $12000

April 16. 1861.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 15th 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 263,051.47 in gold, and $ 16,687 in silver for a/c of invoices Nos 69.72-71

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Wise

Treasurer

Dr. Walter Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Treas. assay Off

Newyork

Apr. 15/61

Rec'd Apr. 16

Pittsburgh April 15th 1861

James Ross Snowden Esqr.

Sir

Your favor of 10th Instant has been duly received covering draft for one pair Scalled Rolls for the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia and hasten to state to you that I will avail myself of the first opportunity to have them cast and turned according to your instructions and sent on with as little delay as possible —

I Remain respectfully

Yours truly

Wm Coarry

By D H Loomis

From
Shubael Davis
Pittsburg PA

Rolls will be
made as directed

April 17, 1861.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, April 16, 1861

Dear Sir

I herewith tender my resignation of the employment. You were pleased to favor me with sometime since to take effect today. In doing so, I beg to thank You for your uniform kindness to me, and to assure you of my profound fulings of gratitude and respect.

Very Respectfully
Your friend & Obt Servt
David Bradford

Hon James Ross Snowden
(Director of the Mint)

From
David Bradford

Washington D.C.

April 16. 1861.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 13. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 305,623.34 in gold Coins on a/c of invoice N° 69.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Co

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off
Newyork
apr. 13/61

Rec'd apr. 15

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 12th 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 233,930.61/42 in Gold for a/c of invoices No 68.70.71 (3 1/2 3 and 1) and drafts in favor of C & H for $ 15,919. and 0.42 in Coins for a/c of Silver No 71. leaving a balance due on the latter invoice of $ 29,689.

Very Respectfully

Wm J Dick

Treasurer

J H Walton Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off
Newyork
Apr. 12/61

Rec'd Apr. 13

Treasury Department
April 11. 1860.

Sir

Enclosed you will find a copy of a letter addressed to the Department by W. Raasloff Chargé d'Affaires to the U States from Denmark. One of the cases of Coins referred to by him is sent to your address by this Mail, to be deposited, if desirable, in the cabinet of Coins in the Mint.

I am very Resp.
Howell Cobb
Sec of the Treasury

Jas. Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Philada.

From Dr
The Sec Treasury

A Set of Danish &
Danish West India
Coins presented by
Representation from
Denmark Rec. Sadl

April 14, 1860.

March 7th 1.

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of your favor of the 5th inst (received to-day) I have to state that we have not in the current year struck all the denominations of our coins, either gold or silver. This arises from the fact that our operations have been chiefly devoted to the Coinage of gold for bullion deposited since the close of the last year. During the months of January and February we have coined $15,714,800; an amount unprecedented in the operations of this Mint, and not exceeded by any other similar institution. I have now directed that a small supply of all the denominations of our coin be struck with as little delay as possible.

As the pieces which came to the Department, from the Chargé d'affairs of Denmark were of Silver and Bronze, and only of the value of $2.38, I suggest

whether it will not be a sufficient honorarium if we send in return a full set of our Silver Coins - with the Cent. The letter from Mr. Raasloff. of the 9th April 1860 informs us a set of the Gold Coins of Denmark: when these are received the department may then deem it a proper acknowledgement to send to that Kingdom a set of our Gold Coins. If however you should prefer to send at once a set of our Coins, including the Gold, pieces, I will have them forwarded to you as soon as they can be prepared.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
your faithful servant,
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

To the Hon. Clk
Secretary of the Treasury.
Washington City.

83 Bleecker St
N.Y.
April 11th 1861

J R Snowden Esq

Dear Sir

About three weeks since I wrote you to make enquiries if I could get some of the Bronze Medals that has been struck at the Mint if so what ones and the price of them also if the 1861 Cent Set was out, and the price of them. Please Answer and oblige Yours truly

Chas Clark

From
L. R. Butler Esq
N.Y.

Secretary
of Navy
1861

April 17, 1861

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
April 11 1861

James H Walton Esqr
Treas U S Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

Your account of
Ordinary Expenses for the 1st quarter 1861
is received, also vouchers belonging to Bullion
account, for transportation of Silver Coins.
The vouchers for expenses attending new cent
coinage were received on the 6th inst.

Very Respectfully

S. L. Linnard
Auditor

Thos. L. Smith

1st. Auditor

Washington

Rec'd Ap. 12 April 11/61

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 11 1861

Sir

I am in receipt of $ 3,372.94
in Silver dollars and Gold Coins in pay-
ment of invoice No 75

Very Respectfully

Wm J Cisco

Treasurer

J W Ward Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off.

Newyork

Rec. Ap. 12 April 11/61

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	Due date	Class "A"	Class "B"		
TOTAL,					

Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

April 11. 61.

Sir.

The larger of the two Specimens sent by You is Iron pyrites.- the other, Galena, or Sulphuret of lead. Neither of the Specimens are of any value.

Very Respectfully,
J. P. Lesley
Director of the Survey.

Mr Thomas Bradley,
Waynesburg
Green Co. Pa.

APRIL 11TH 1861

Doubtful	Slow	Overdue			Market, interest, and security	Amount
		Class "B"	Class "A"	Date		
					TOTAL	

Use Form 1452-K for continuation of list.

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To.
The Sec Treasury

Renew Request
for draft to pay
current expenses. —
Reply to pay
equivalent amt. "
from "Govt Comage
to amt Then in U.S.

June 11, 1861.

to the Considerable Sum of $102,263.52.
This amt arises exclusively from the ½ per
cent coinage charge authorized by the
act of Feb. 21. 1853. This is at the rate
of about $400,000 per annum
Revenue to the government.

On the receipt of the draft asked for
on the Asst Treasurer ($32,775.) I will
direct the Transfer herein indicated to
be made, as authorized by the last head
of the 3d Sec. of the act above cited. (Page 42 Mint
Laws.)

I have the honor to be,
with great respect &c
Your faithful obedt Servt
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Salmon P. Chase
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington City

April 11. 1.

Sir,

As we have not received the draft asked for in my letter of the 22d. ult°, and are in want of money to pay debts due, and carry on the operations of the Mint, I beg to recall your attention to the subject, and to suggest as a means of putting the Department in funds to pay the draft, that will cause a transfer to be made of a similar amount with the Office of the Asst Treasurer here, from the balance now standing to the credit of the U. States on Gold Coinage.

During the last quarter our Coinage exceeded $21,000,000; an amount unprecedented in the annals of the Mint; and our operations are now continued at nearly the same rate.

The Gold Coinage charge placed to the debit of the U. States during the last

January, February, March — Amount

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TOTAL,					

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April 10. 1.

Dear Sir.

I have to request that you will make for this institution, as early as practicable, one pair of chilled rolls of the exact dimensions of the enclosed draft. Heretofore it has been found necessary to send the rolls made by you for us to a machine shop to have the journals turned off and ground. It is desirable that you will have this pair finished, with the journals as smooth as the face of the rolls, ready to place in the housings for work.

Very Respectfully,
James Rogers Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

John L. Parry Esq.
Pittsburg,
Pa.

To.

John L. Parry

Pittsburg

Pa

Order paid Rolls

April 10. 1861.

Treasury U. States Washington D.C.
April 10th 1861

Sir

For enclosed Transfer Draft No. 6814
please send two thousand dollars in half
dollars & three thousand dollars in quarter
dollars.

$2,000 — half dollars
3000 quarter "
5000

Very respectfully
your Obt. Servt.
[illegible]
Treasurer U.S.

James A. Walton Esqr
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treas. U. S.

Washington

Apr 11/61

Rec'd Apr. 12

Newport Apl 10 1861

Apayer of the U. S. Mint
Phila

Dr Sir

I have a curiosity to possess a U. S. Dollar and can not obtain it in this part of the country and I would like to know if you would send me one if I would send a Gold Dollar and pay the Expense of transportation — Will you please let me know by return mail and oblige

Yours Truly
L. Edgerton Jr
Newport
Washington Co
Ohio

Willard's Hotel
Washington D. C. April 9th 1861.

James Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint at
Philadelphia.

Sir.

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th Instant, in reply to mine dated the 3d. The general tenor of your remarks is entirely satisfactory, but there is one point which I think untenable. You admit that "a legal tender a silver dollar is precisely equivalent to a gold dollar," yet you further add, that "if some of our foreign Ministers were paid in the one kind and some in the other, the inequality would be about four per cent in favor of the receivers of the Silver."

This may be true in some instances, but in others, and more particularly in my case, it is the very reverse. Gold is at a premium of from 2 to 3 per cent over silver in Peru, and I am advised also it is at a premium in Mexico, Venezuela, Bolivia and other South American States. The Mexican Doubloon or Ounce, estimated at $15.53 U.S currency, at the Mint of Philadelphia, is current at $16, in Mexico & I believe in most other countries of South America. In estimating the value of the Bolivian half dollars at 27 8/10 cents, compared with the legal dollar of the U. S. of 412½ grains, Standard silver, it appears to me you have put it at too high a rate. By referring to the work issued at the

Assay Office of the Philadelphia Mint in 1842, by Messrs Jacob R. Eckfeldt and Wm E duBois, I find in page 98, that in three assays reported by them of the Bolivian coin, the average is only 36 7/10 cents. I am aware of the difficulty of arriving at a correct standard where there is such variation in weight & fineness. But as some rule should be adopted, I know of none better than the standard established by law in each country, that is, the proportion between two thirds & nine tenths fine.

I do not know which branch of the Government has control over this matter, but, as the accounting officers in the adjustment of my account based their calculations on the value of the Bolivian half dollar furnished by you, I presume that they depend upon you for the proper standard. If I understand the true issue between the accounting officers & myself, it is this - they claim that the Bolivian half dollars should be estimated at their commercial value, at the mint of Philadelphia, whilst I claim that the estimate should be based upon the legal value of the coin established by law. It may be proper to remark, in connexion with this subject, that a foreign Minister or other officer of the Government in a foreign country is entitled to receive his salary at the place of his official residence. Therefore, if the commercial value of the coin should be adopted, it would appear more reasonable that it should be taken at the place where the money is paid, that at the Mint at Philadelphia. If this were done, the gold standard would prove favorable to me, whilst the same standard might prove unfavorable to those who resided in countries where silver is at a premium.

I

I remain Sir respectfully
your obedient Servant
J Randolph Clay.

Jno Ko.

L. Randolph Clay

Washington City

Value of 1 Postmaster

half dollar

April 29, 1861,

April 29th 1.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your recent letter, in answer to mine of the 6th inst, I have to state that the estimate of the value of the Bolivian half-dollar on given 20 years ago in the work published by the Mint, to which you refer, is not at all adapted to the present relative values of gold and silver either in Commerce or mintage.

The inequality of payments to which I referred and which is objected by you, may be illustrated as follows. Suppose the government should buy silver to be coined into dollars to pay our foreign ministers. It would have to pay 121. Cents per ounce standard, and then coin the dollars at a rate which would only count 116 4/11 per ounce.

There is much force in your remark as to the different relation of gold to silver

in South American Countries. The doubloon here worth $15.53, or thereabouts, is, or rather, has been taken at the Legal equivalent of 16 silver dollars, and Commercially as high as $17. in the West Indies. The doubloon is however rapidly wearing to new Duplums of Coinage".

When I spoke of the Branches of the government to which this dispute as to the proper Mode of taking in which your Letter refers, I did, I supposed to the Courts of Law, whose decision upon the question of the Attorney General might be, on all questions of Construction of the Laws.

I must beg your pardon for omitting to carry to your Excellency's Letter of the foregoing Matters have been laid before me, and now I am ready from the documents Copies to make my answer a very brief one.

I am, very truly

Yours

Respectfully

Hon. J. Randolph Clay.

St. Lawrence &c &c &c.

Secretary of the Navy

Other

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 9. 1861

Sir

I am in receipt of $ 260,562.53 in gold Coins, which in the absence of any advice from you respecting it, I presume to be for a/c of invoices # 66 + 68

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Elder
Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treas' U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off

New York

April 9/61

Rec'd Ap. 10

Memorandum —

Prof. Wyatt called at 2 o'clock yesterday, to ask the privilege of having a medal struck, from a die which he has had cut, of John Adams. It is of the middle size, & intended to correspond with the Indian series; for which end he further asks that the usual reverse die may be employed. He wishes a copy struck in tin, to be sent to John Quincy Adams, & is to call, or send his artist (Mr Leonard) at 10 o'clock this morning

Jenny

Prof. Wyatt
of New York.
April 9/45.

Rec. 10th

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 8 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 21,034.61 in Silver Coins and drafts in favor of Colgate & Hoffman for a/c of invoices No 57. 67.

I do not require the silver for gold coins paid on drafts, but I shall feel obliged by an early remittance of Gold dollars

Very Respectfully

Wm J Cisco

Treasurer

Jas N Watson Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off
New York
Apr. 8/61

Rec'd Apr. 9

Providence April 8th 1861

To the President of the United States Mint

Dear Sir

You must excuse me for Intrudeing but I wish to know if you will furnish me the dates of all the American coins both Copper & Silver and want to know if you can furnish me with one of the first cents that was coined. and what you will charge if you will send me an answer I will be very much Obliged to you. I am getting up a collection and do not know all the dates

Yours Truly
George H. Bucklin
Prov. R. I.

Hon.
Geo. A. Bucklin
Providence
R. I.

In relation
to Constitutional
Circular Letter

April 11, 1861.

Roxbury Mass Apr 8 1861

Col. J. R. Snowden.

Dear Sir

I sent you to day per Express the Medallion referred to in a former letter. The correspondent from whom I rec'd it writes me "of the Medallion nothing to know except that it is very old"

Should you wish it, please forward me what you consider its value in pattern pieces or other objects which you position as director of the Mint would enable you to furnish - not knowing the regulations &c I should be unable to designate any special object which I would like -

Should you not wish to retain the Med. please return it to me per Exp. A correspondent at Bangor has the promise of it if not wanted for the Washington Cabinet.

Very Respectfully &c

W. Elliot Woodward

Form 1

Lt. Elliott Woodward

Providence

R I

Washington medal

Lieut of Volunteers

April 11. 1861

April 11. 61.

Dear Sir

I thank you for your recent letter and for the trouble you have taken in sending me the Costume Head of Washington. It is a very recent work, and, like that of Columbus, Cromwell &c. got up in New York hoping for a little interest.

It is herewith returned with my thanks for your kind attention.

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servant,
Sam. Ros. Thourdon,
Director of the Mint.

W. Elliot Esq. Cambridge
Roxbury
Mass.

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Troy. April 6/61

To the Overseer of U S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa

Sir

I have been informed that those 3 ct pieces on which was stamped this little sprig were counterfeit and that the U S Government had not issued any three ct pieces for the last two or three years. Is the enclosed a counterfeit and is the information I rec'd correct?

Yours. Respectfully
C. L. Foote
St Peters School

I enclose two kinds one with little sprig over + under III the letters III and one with nothing impressed upon surface. Are both from U S Mint?

From Lt
E. J. Foote U
Navy
N.Y.

two 3cts ps
enclosed.—one
supposed to be
counterfeit—disposition
to decline explained
April 8. 1861

April 9th 1.

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 6th inst enclosing two three-cent coins of the U. States. They are both genuine coin. Previous to the 1st of June 1853 the three cent pieces were of the fineness of 750 thousandths. All the coin struck ~~and~~ after June 1st 1853 are of the fineness of 900 thousandths. The ~~Ears~~ of Laurel and bundle of arrows were placed upon the coin in 1853, by my direction, to indicate those struck after June 1st. of that year. Here are of the fineness of 900 thousandths of silver. The others are of different fineness. This change was authorized by the act of Congress passed March 3. 1853.

I. I. Hoole Esq.
Troy, New York

Very respectfully
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

P.S. The coins are herewith returned.

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United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 6 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 487,125.71 in gold Coins for a/c of invoices N° 64. 65. 66.

Enclosed you have receipts of the Adams Express Company, and Statements of Three boxes fine gold bars, net value $ 187,420.48 and Two boxes dep. Silver net value $ 2,554.43 Contains gold $ 818.51 net. gold payable in dbl. ea. Silver in Silver dollars.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. Wilson
Treasurer

W. G. Fitch, Cashier. C. D. Nash, President.

BANK OF MILWAUKEE.

Milwaukee, Apil 6 1861

Henry Ross Drowdin Esq
Director United States Mint

Dear Sir

I Enclosed to you on the 19th Mch. my draft on Mercantile Bank $500.
With the request that you send me per Express Silver Coin

$200. Quarters
100 Half
100 Dimes
100 Half do

Since then I have heard nothing from you nor have I received the Coin — Oblige me by letting me know the cause — Very Truly H. G. Fitch Esq

From To

W. G. Fitch Esq

Cash. Bank of

Milwaukee

Wisconsin

In relation to

Draft for $600—

Mailed on

19th ult.

Not Rec'd

April 10. 1861

April 10. 1.

Dear Sir.

In reply to your letter of the 6th inst. which came to hand this P.M. I have to inform you that the letter and draft therein referred to have not been received by me. It is quite probable that the same were destroyed with the mails which were burned on the Pennsylvania Rail Road, on the 21st ult. of which accident I suppose you must have seen an account in the newspapers.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
James Rankin
Director of the Mint

W. G. Fitch Esq.
Cash. Bank of Milwaukee,
Milwaukee.
Mich.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 5. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of $ 394,669.57 in gold, for 4/c of invoices Nº 63 & 64, and $ 4,000 in silver for balance Nº 60. Thus the entire amount of the latter invoice has been paid in guar. dol. instead of halves as requested. as this denomination is now required I will thank you to substitute them for guars. in your earliest remittance. I enclose Express receipt and statement of three boxes fine gold, of the net value of $ 164,672.35 payable in dbl. ea.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

J. Thos. J. Cisco
Treasurer

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1861/MAY